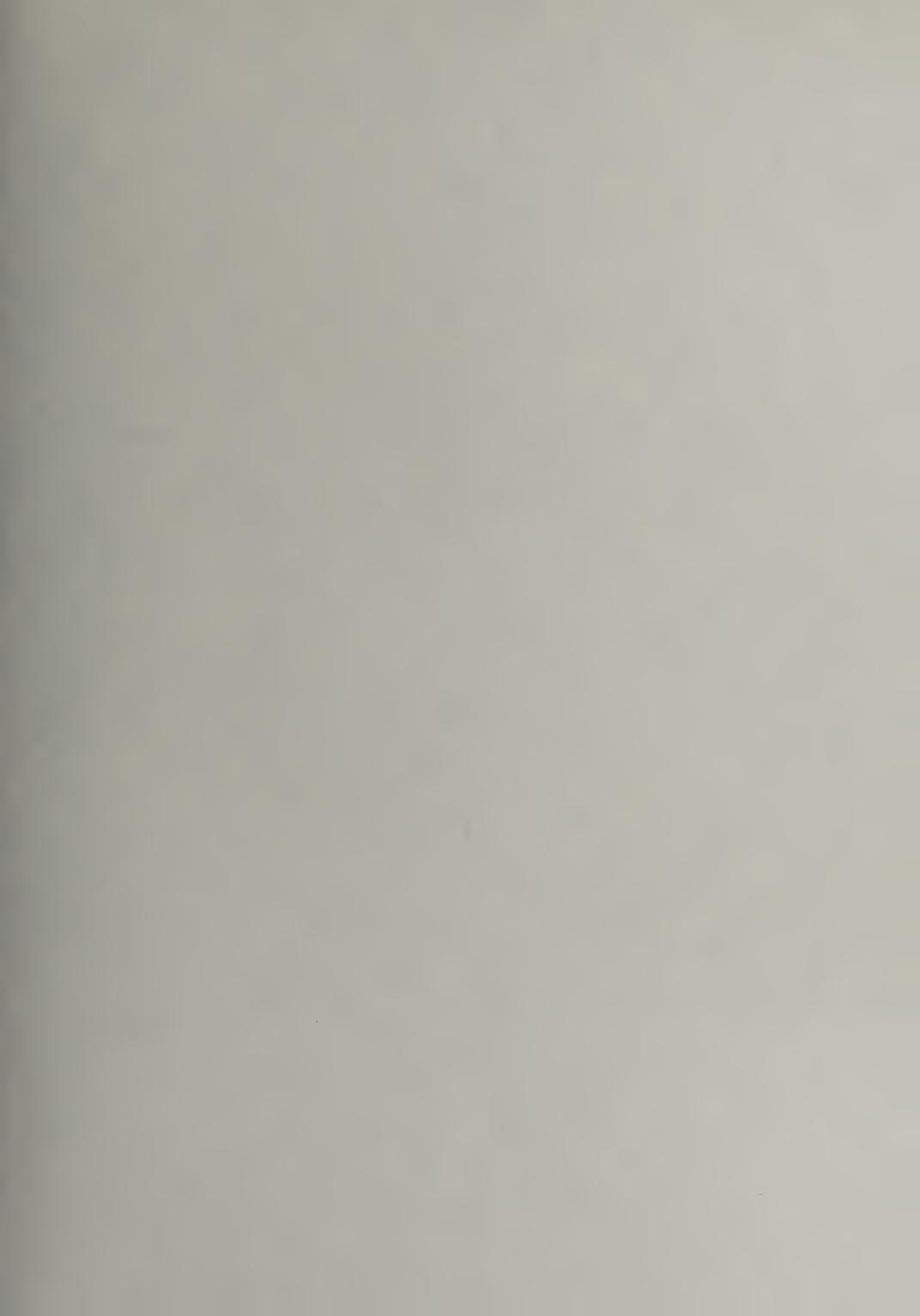
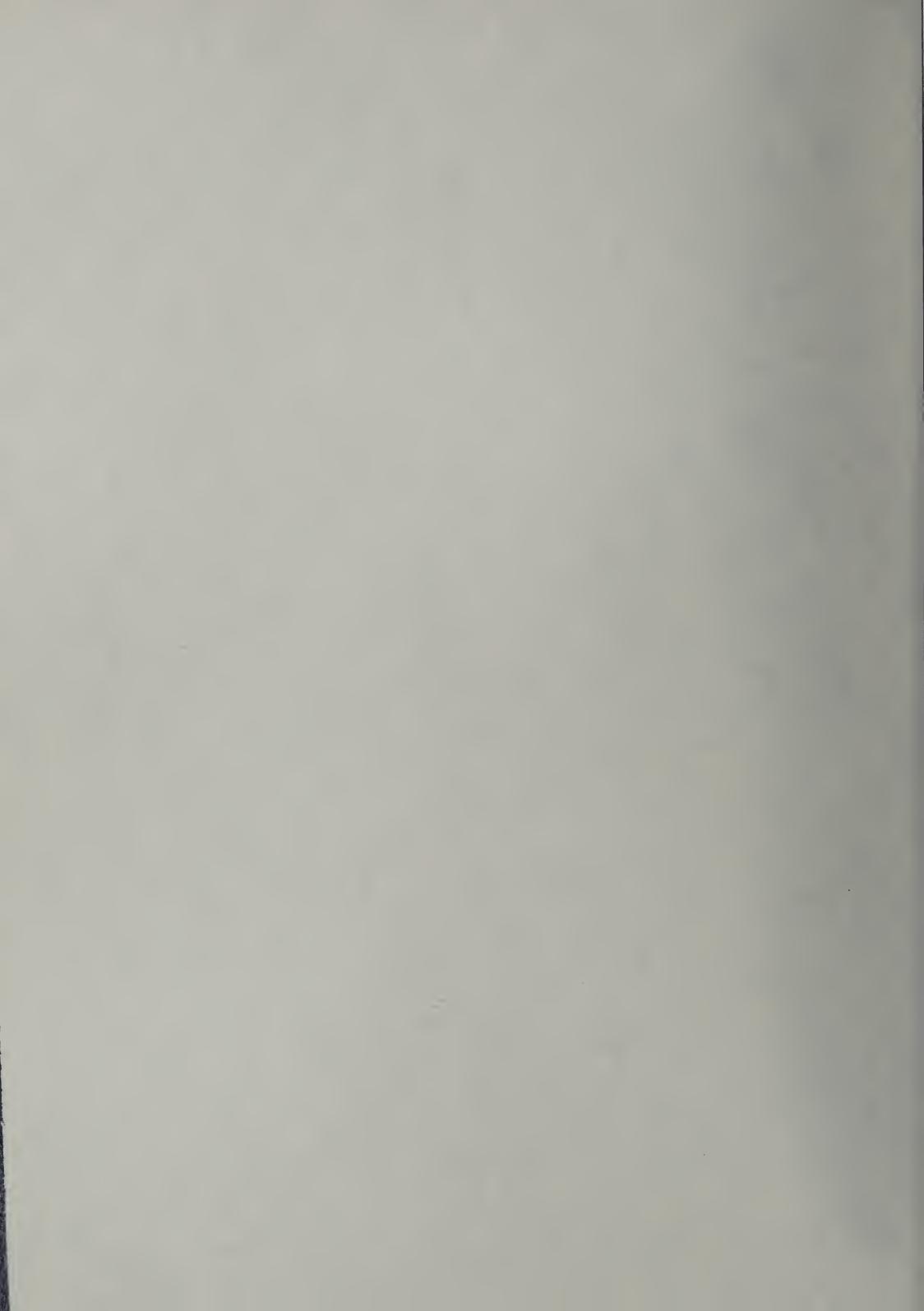
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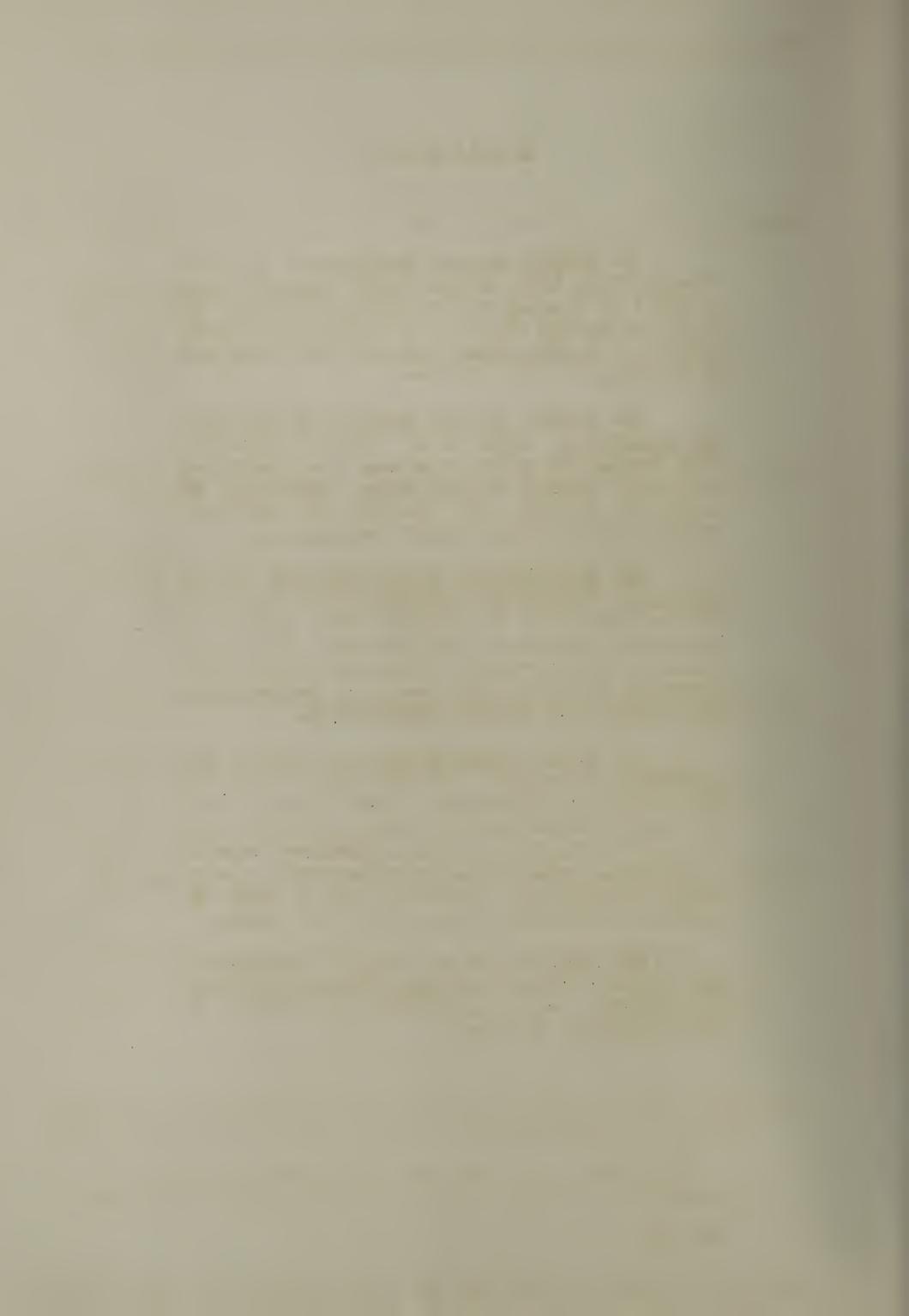
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#### ARCHITECTURE

APARTMENT PLANNING PROVISIONS. (Architectural Record, August 1, 1940, pp. 88-90.)

Plans illustrate dining spaces, kitchens, minimum living room sizes for varying rent levels, and varying purposes, and bedrooms, baths and closets. These plans represent studies made by the Rental Housing Division of the Federal Housing Administration.

NEW IDEAS ARE ESSENTIAL TO URBAN APARTMENTS BUILT FOR INVESTMENT.

Architectural Record. August, 1940, pp. 80-85. illus.)

This report, by Jule Robert Von Sternberg, treats primarily the advances in design which are found important in apartments built for investment. Statements are based on replies from architects, engineers and building operators.

CHICAGOANS DEVELOP A NEW TRICK IN BUILDING ROW-HOUSES. p. 20 in Business Week, September 14, 1940.

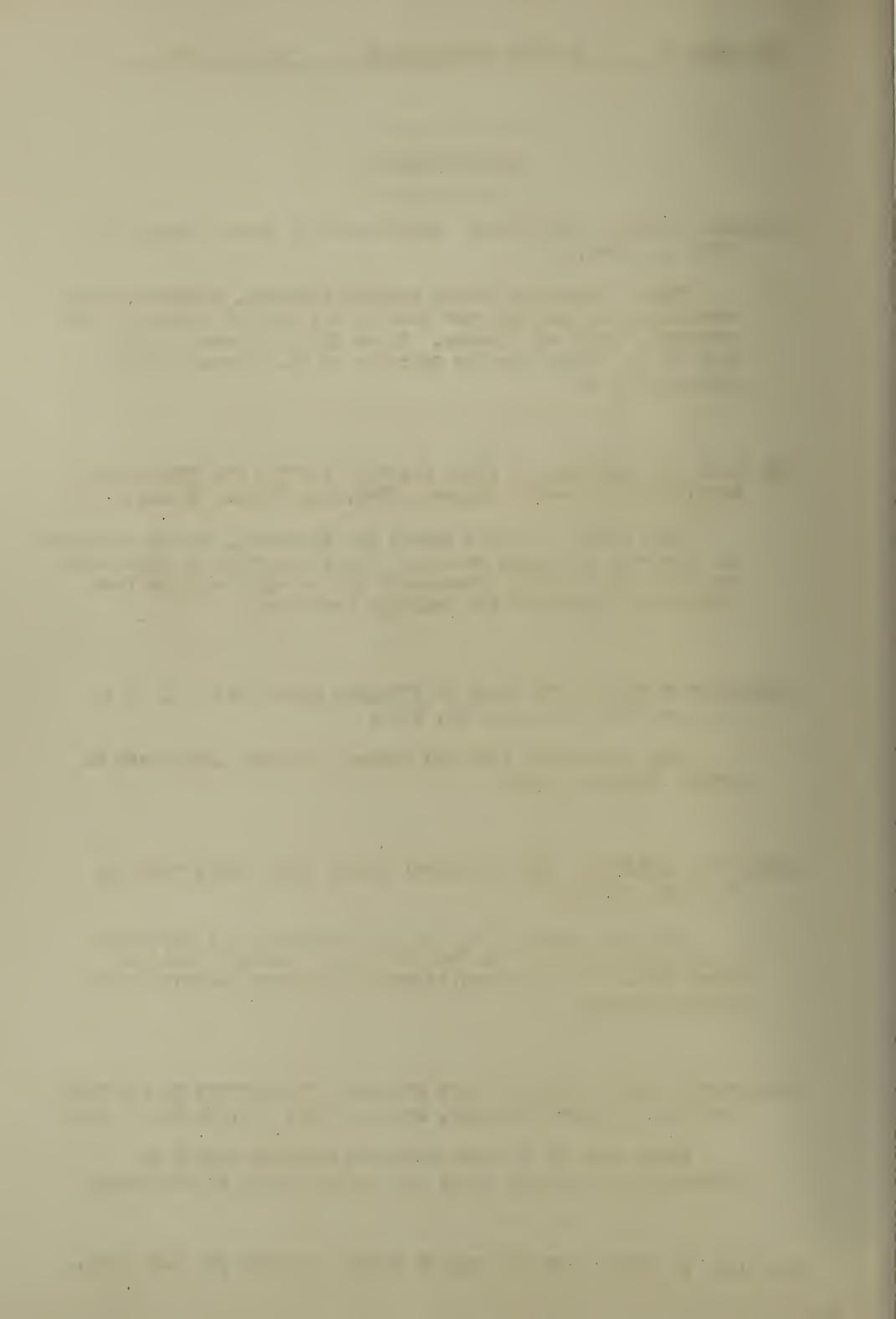
Plan devised by Lind and Luckman, Chicago architects to reduce building costs.

DESIGN FOR DAYLIGHT. (Architectural Forum, July, 1940; vol. 73, No. 1,pp. 43-48.)

Includes graphs, etc., on the "prediction of daylight, a scientific method" and "prediction of daylight, rule of thumb data." The problem; minimum intensity; distribution; glare; control.

PHILADELPHIA LAW TO REQUIRE PLANS PREPARED BY ARCHITECT OR ENGINEER. (Building Standards Monthly, August, 1940; vol. 9, No. 8, p.9.)

Gives text of the new ordinance recently passed in Philadelphia, covering plans for certain types of buildings.



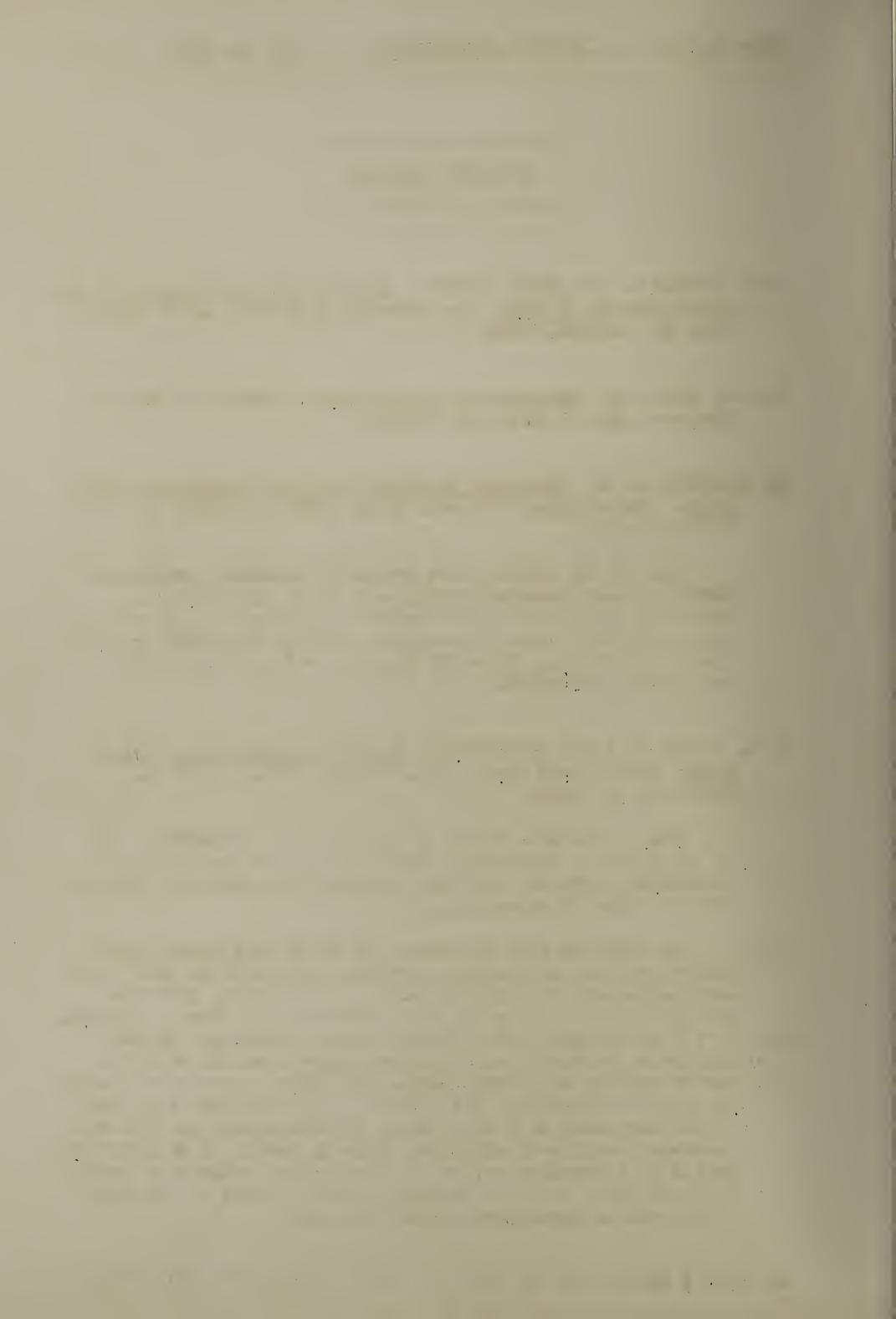
#### BUILDING INDUSTRY

- BYER, HERMAN B. and JAFFE, SIDNEY. Residential construction in the first quarter of 1940. pp. 481-487 in Monthly Labor Review, Vol. 51, August, 1940.
- DENNIS, SAMUEL J. Residential construction. (Survey of Current Business, May 1, 1940, pp. 10-15.)
- DI DOMENICO, A. F. Baltimore building costs and operations, 1900-1939. (Manufacturers Record, Sept. 1940, pp 24-25, 43 charts and tables.)

One of the tables shows number of building operations permit values, undervaluation, each year, 1900-1939. A series of disc charts shows relative construction of various types, 1900-18 (before annexation period), 1919-1939 (period since annexation), 1920-1929 (boom years), and for the 10 year period 1930-1939.

- U. S. BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS. Building construction 1921 to 1938. Washington: Govt. Prtg. Office, 1940. v, 114 pp. (Bulletin No. 668.)
  - Pt. 1. General trends in construction 1921-1938. Pt. 2. Analyses of residential construction and demolitions, 1929-1935. - Pt. 3. Building construction, 1937 and 1938, by city and type of structure.

As early as 1920 the Bureau of Labor Statistics began collecting data on building permits. From 1920 to 1928 these were published at yearly intervals. Since Sept. 1929 the Bureau has been collecting and publishing the figures monthly. Part 1 of Bulletin 668 is based on these figures. In 1935 the Bureau undertook an extensive analysis of the building permit records of a large number of cities, covering the seven yr. period 1929-1935. The results of this survey, were published currently in a long series of monographs, and the more important results of which are given in Part 2 of Bulletin 668. Part 3 is a detailed review of construction activities during 1937 and 1938, based on building permits issued in reporting cities with a population of 2500 or over.



#### CITY FLANNING

EDELMAN, BERNARD S. Planning your community. 20 pp. illus. (Regional Association of Cleveland. Publication No. 8, Feb. 1940.)

Has an organization chart of relationships of city planning organizations and elements.

TENNESSEE STATES PLANNING COMMISSION. Planning and zoning legislation in Tennessee. Nashville, June 1940. 53 pp.

Contains the text of six planning, zoning and subdivision control acts, also a model county zoning enabling act and a model municipal planning ordinance.

#### CODES

ASA COMMITTEE ON PLUMBING EQUIPMENT CONSIDERS TWO NEW DRAFT STANDARDS. (Industrial standardization and Commercial Standards Monthly, July, 1940; vol. 11, No. 7, p. 189.

On soldered-joint fittings and on air gaps in plubming systems, being considered by ASA Committee A40.- T.C.B.

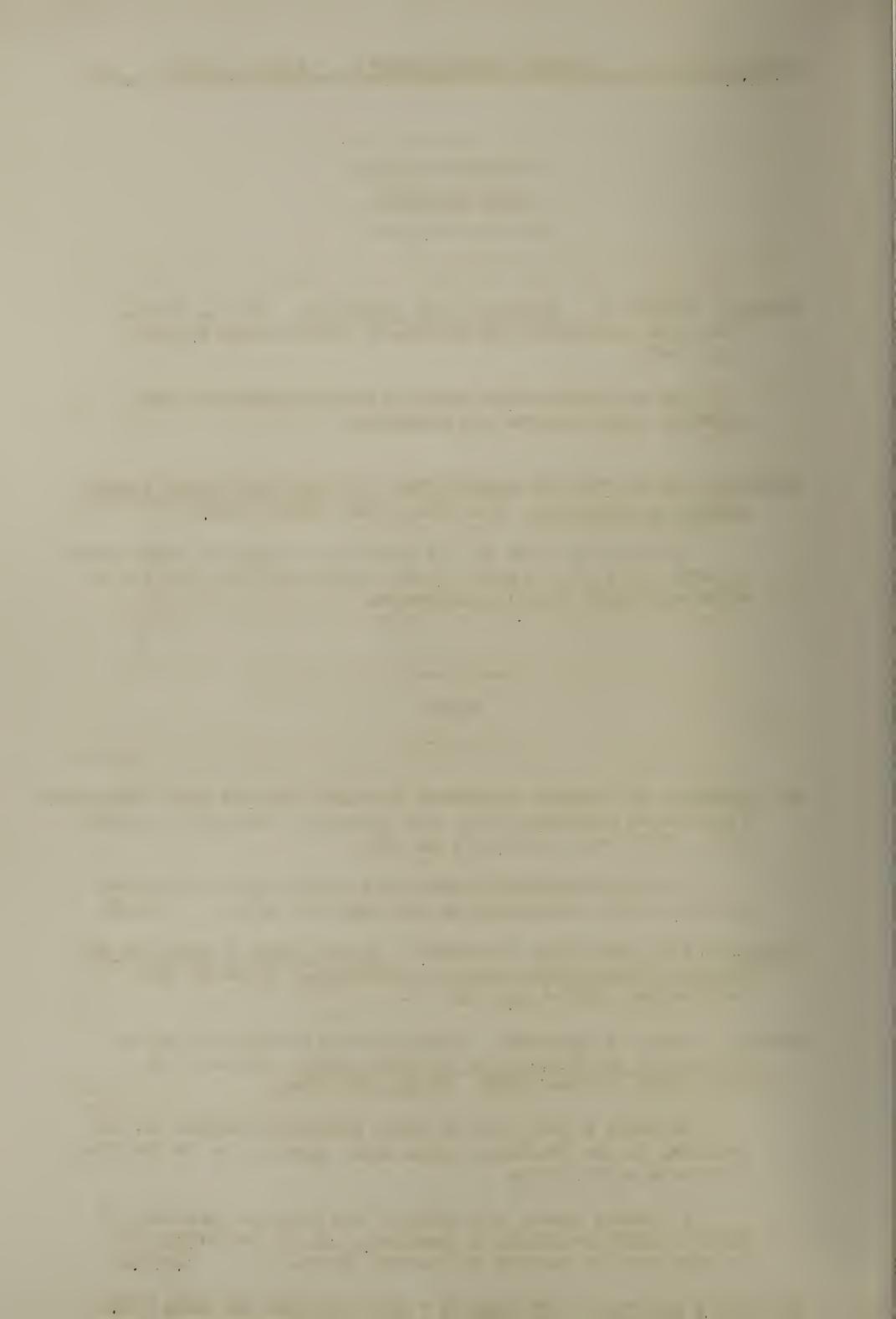
- INSTITUTION OF STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS. Revised code of practice for the use of structural steel in buildings. London: The Institution, 1940 4 pp. 6d.
- NATIONAL BUREAU OF STANDARDS. Miscellaneous Publication M151.

  Design and construction of building exits. Washington:
  Govt. Prtg. Office, 1935. 76 pp. 10 cents.

Contains a good deal of basic information which is not included in the "Building Exits Code" approved by the American Standards Association.

A limited number of copies of the original printing of M151 is still available by purchase. It is not likely to be reprinted or revised for several years. - T.C.B.

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CODES - Contd.

NATIONAL BOARD OF FIRE UNDERWRITERS. Building codes-their scope and aims. New York. (1940). 22 pp. free.

Relates to the spread and control of fire. - T.C.B.

NEW YORK CITY BUILDING CODE REQUIREMENTS FOR BRICK MASONRY DRASTICALLY CHANGED. (Dow Service Weekly Building Material Price Supplement, Aug. 8, 1940; p. A and E.)

Re cavity wall. City Council adopts local laws No. 100 and 101. July 15. Rockliffe Apts. (Montclair, N. J.) uses new method for first time. T.C. B.

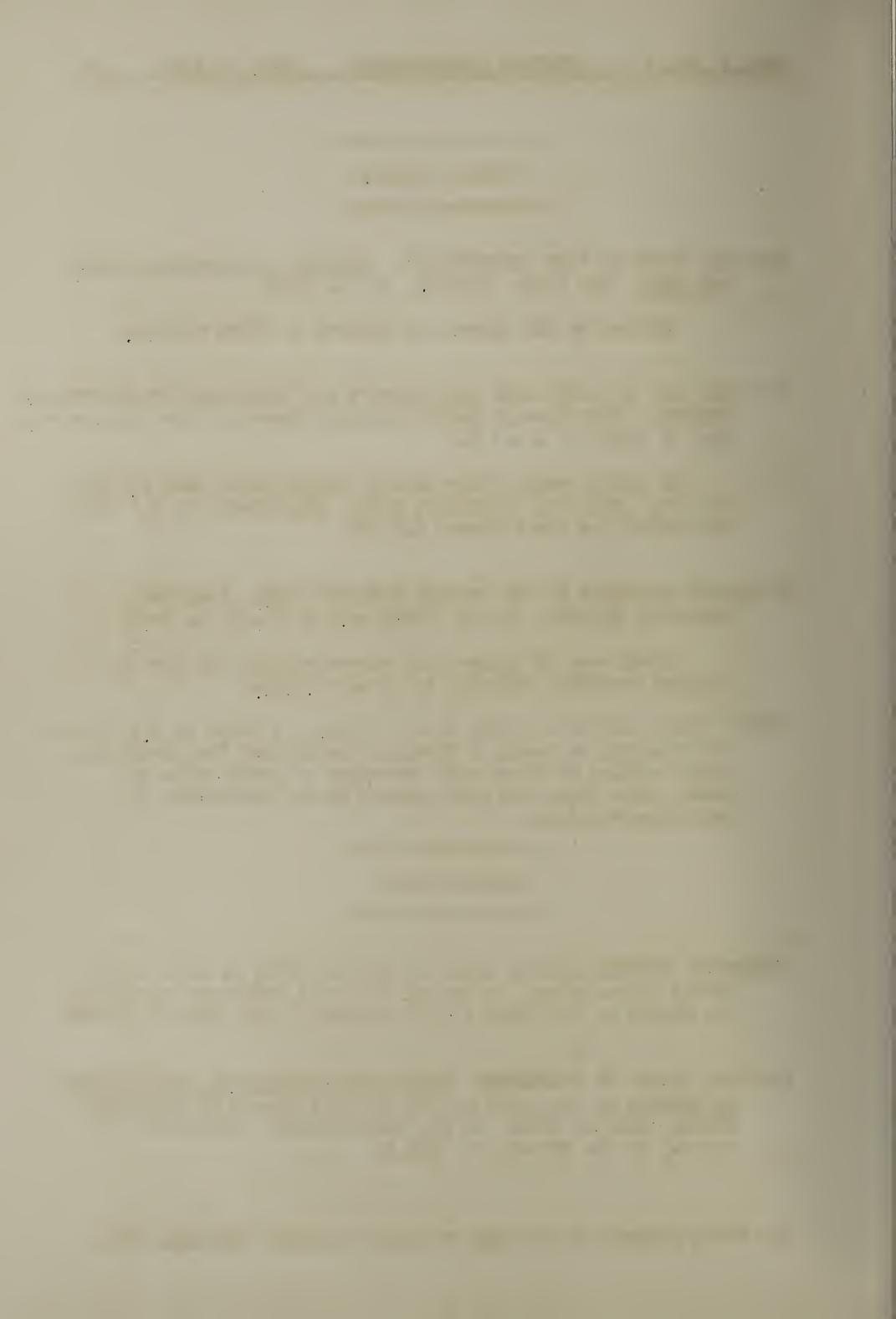
SUGGESTED REVISIONS TO THE UNIFORM BUILDING CODE. (Building Standards Monthly, August, 1940; vol. 9, No. 8, p. 5-9.)

Gives text of changes and recommendations of the Code Changes Committee relating to each. - T.C.B.

UNITED STATES MUNICIPAL NEWS, issue of Sept. 1, 1940; p. 66. Lists Philadelphia as having a "proposed ordinanco" "requiring the rough casting or other safe treatment of party walls or other walls which are left exposed by the demolition of buildings."-T.C.B.

#### CONSTRUCTION

- MINNESOTA MUNICIPALITIES, issue of August, 1940; p. 330. Lists Little Falls, Minn., as having "a recent ordinance regulating the moving of buildings on the streets of the city." T.C.B.
- NATIONAL BUREAU OF STANDARDS. Engineering mechanics: Publications by members of the staff of the National Bureau of Standards. LC595. June 1, 1940. 15 pp. mimeographed. Obtainable on request to the Bureau. T.C.B.



CONSTRUCTION - Contd.

PUTTING CONSTRUCTION INTO REVERSE GEAR. (Construction Methods, April, 1940; vol. 22, No. 4, p. 54-56 and 110-111.)

Methods employed by Cleveland Wrecking Company for razing buildings and salvaging materials for resale; job organization; scheduling of work. - T.C.B.

- TECHNOLOGICAL IMPROVEMENT ESSENTIAL TO GENERAL CONSTRUCTION PROS-PERITY. (Dow Service Weekly Building Material Price Supplement, Aug. 15, 1940; p. A and E.) - T.C.B.
- THE IMPERIAL VALLEY EARTHQUAKE: Part 1. From the scientific point of view, by Franklin P. Ulrich; Part 2. The building inspector's point of view, by Clyde N. Dirlam; and Part 3. A review of the damage to buildings, with special reference to the materials of construction and methods employed, by Hal Colling. (Building Standards Monthly, June, 1940; vol. 9, No. 6, p. 6-15.)

HEATING

BATA'S BARRACKS. (Fuel Oil Journal, Vol. 19, No. 3, Sept. 1940, p. 34, illus.)

The Bata shoe factory at Belcamp near Baltimore installs oil heating for its industrial housing developments. The five-room, two-story duplex houses required on the average \$45 per family for automatic oil heating during the 1939-40 season.

- DILL, RICHARD S. and ACHENBACH, PAUL R. Effect of soot on the rating of an oil fired heating boiler. BMS 54. Bureau of Standards. Research in Building Materials and Structures. Washington, D. C., G.P.O., 1940 4 p. 2 fig. Price 10 cents.
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#### HOUSING OPERATIONS

INTERNATIONAL LABOUR OFFICE. The I.L.O. Yearbook 1939/40, 10th year of issue, Geneva, 1940. viii, 345 pp. \$2.00

Housing, pp. 263-268, is a general review of outstanding housing achievements throughout the world during 1939. This includes congresses, public housing and loans, legislation, war policy, rent control.

MATHER, ALAN, Compiler. Recent literature on low-cost housing. pp. 552-554 in Pencil Points, Vol. 21, September, 1940.

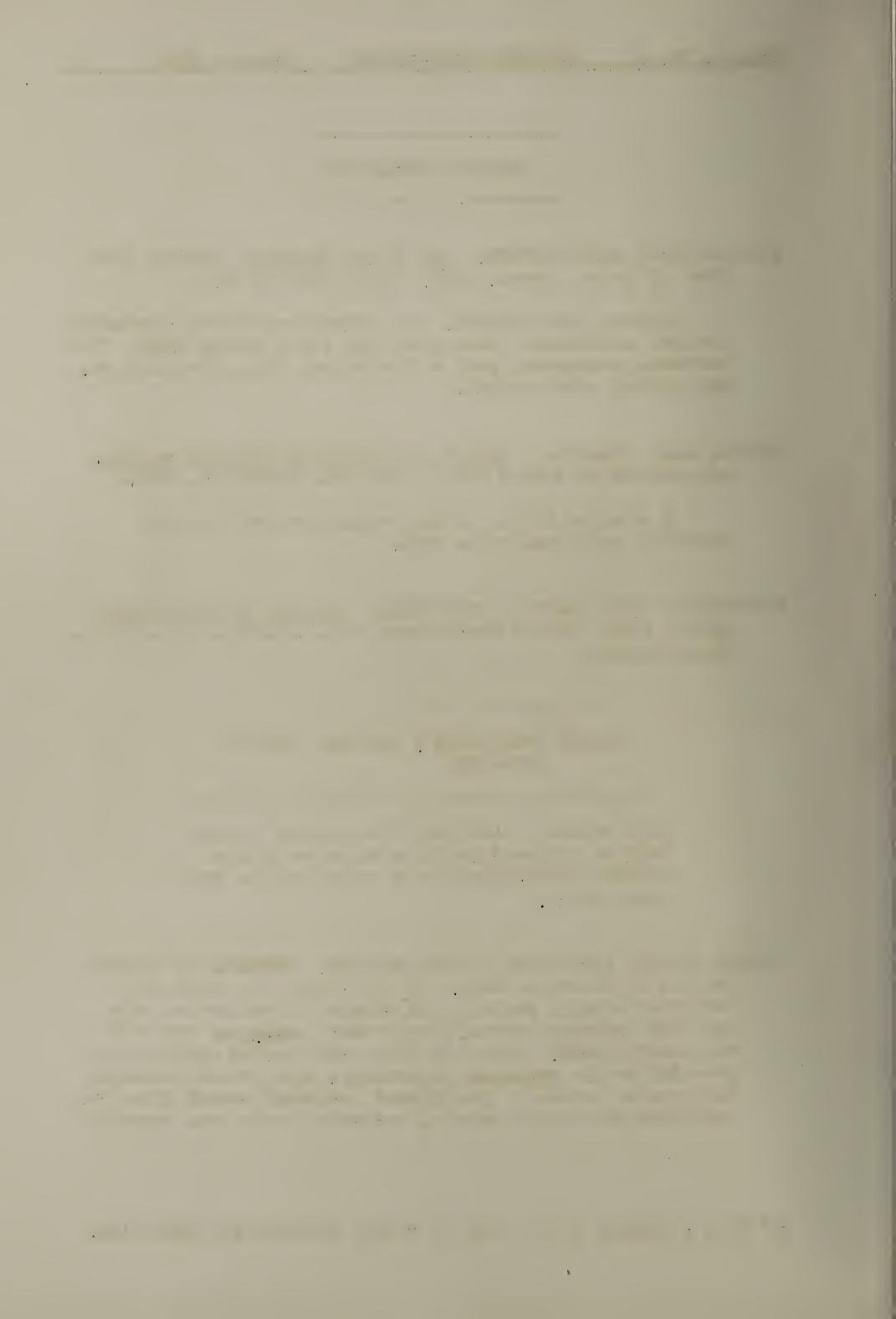
A selected list of books, magazines articles and pamphlets published since 1935.

MISSISSIPFI STATE PLANNING COMMISSION. Housing in Mississippi, April, 1940. 327-29 North State Str., Jackson, Miss. 75 pp. Mimeographed.

> HOUSING OPERATIONS .: NATIONAL DEFENSE 1917-1919

This record of the World War housing set-up will be followed in the next issue of the HOUSING INDEX-DIGEST by a record of the present set-up.

HOUSING BRANCH, INDUSTRIAL SERVICE SECTION, ORDNANCE DEPARTMENT. Created in December, 1917. It supervised the scope and design of housing projects for industrial workers at private and Government-owned plants where ordnance material was manufactured. Where the funds for housing projects were provided by the Ordnance Department, this branch outlined the general scheme of development, prepared sketch plans for buildings and street layouts, estimated costs, and approved



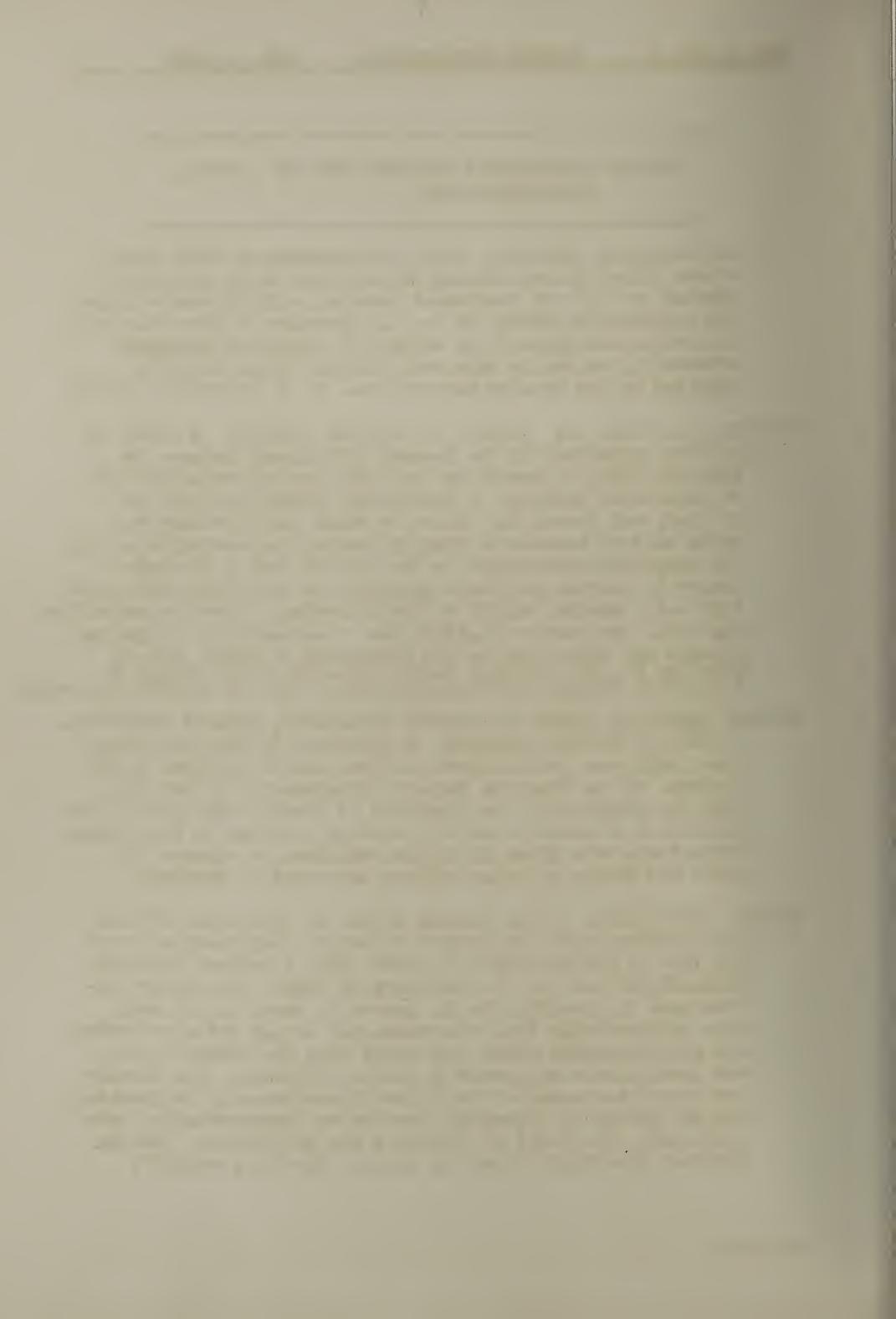
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the developed projects. After the formation in July, 1918, of the United States Housing Corporation, which thereafter carried out all new Government housing projects except those for the Shipping Board, it was the function of this branch to analyze and present the needs for housing at ordnanco establishments and to make requests that these needs be supplied by the Housing Corporation. P. R. Macneille, chief.

HOUSING, COMMITTEE ON; COUNCIL OF NATIONAL DEFENSE. A committee of five, appointed by the Council of National Defense in October, 1917, to report on the situation regarding housing of industrial workers. A two-weeks' hearing was held in October, and showed the extent to which war contracts were being held up because of lack of housing for available labor. The committee recommended to the council that a Government agency be enacted and funds appropriated to provide such housing, and a special report on the financing of such an enterprise was made. On January 10,1918, the administration of housing matters was taken over by the Department of Labor, and on February 12, the chairman became director of the Bureau of Industrial Housing and Transportation. Otto M. Eidlitz, Chairman.

HOUSING COMMITTEE, WOMEN IN INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT, WOMAN'S COMMITTEE, COUNCIL OF NATIONAL DEFENSE. A committee of representative women employees in Government offices called together by the chairman of the Women in Industry Department. It advised with the chairman of the Committee on Living Conditions of the Department of Labor concerning housing problems in Washington. Suggestions were drawn up by the committee to express the needs and wishes of women workers in regard to housing.

HOUSING CORPORATION, UNITED STATES; BUREAU OF INDUSTRIAL HOUSING AND TRANSPORTATION, DEFARTMENT OF LABOR. Incorporated under the laws of New York July 10, 1918, with a capital stock of \$100,000,000 held by the Secretary of Labor. The incorporation made it possible for the bureau to carry on its work more independently than otherwise, and to pay taxes to States and municipalities which cooperated with the bureau in the new developments by providing public utilities. The organization and personnel of the United States Housing Corporation and the Bureau of Industrial Housing and Transportation were identical. The board of directors was as follows: Otto M. Eidlitz, president; Joseph D. Leland, 3d vice president;

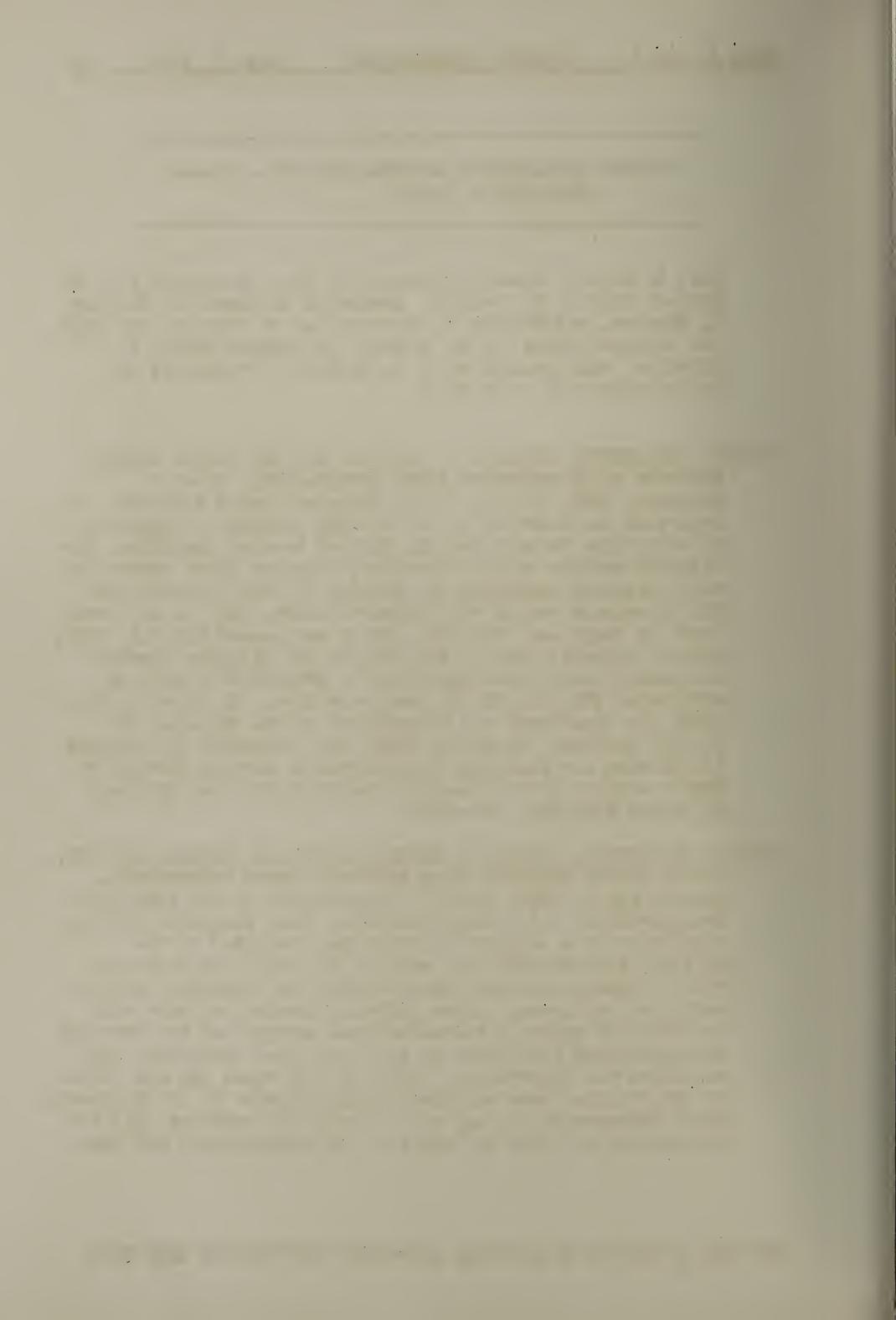


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Burt L. Fenner, secretary; George G. Box, treasurer; John W. Alvord, Cherles B. Howland, Frederick L. Olmstead, William E. Shannon, and William J. Spencer. After February 26, 1919, the officers were: L. K. Sharman, president; Irving E. Macomber, vice president; C. H. Brewster, treasurer; and Stuart Chevalier, secretary.

HOUSING DEPARTMENT, DIVISION OF GENEFAL SERVICE, UNITED STATES SHIPPING BOARD EMERGENCY FLEET CORPORATION. Created in December, 1917, as part of the Shipping Plants Division, to undertake the solution of the housing problem in shipyards. Investigation showed that the lack of housing facilities for shipyard workers and the resulting enormous labor turn-over were seriously hampering the program of ship construction. The department caused the shipyard housing bill to be introduced in Congress. The bill, which was passed March 2, 1918, made an appropriation of \$50,000,000 for shippard housing, the amount being later increased to \$75,000,000, with an additional \$20,000,000 for transportation. On February 23, 1918, the department was transferred to the Division of General Service. On May 7, 1918, the department was consolidated with the Passenger Transportation Service Section to form the Division of Passenger Transportation and Housing. J. Rogers Flannery, director.

HOUSING DEPARTMENT, PASSENGER TRANSPORTATION AND HOUSING DIVISION, UNITED STATES SHIPPING BOARD EMERGENCY FLEET CORPORATION. Created May 7, 1918, upon the organization of the Passenger Transportation and Housing Division. When congested housing conditions in a shippard district were reported to the section, investigation was made of the yard, its contracts with the Emergency Fleet Corporation, its standing, and the number of employees. After existing housing had been made available by making a house-to-house canvass and by extending transportation facilities to less congested districts, construction was undertaken. Sites, in all cases but Hog Island and St. Helena, were acquired without expense to the Emergency Fleet Corporation, in any of the following methods: (1) For the account and with the funds of the shipbuilder; (2) from

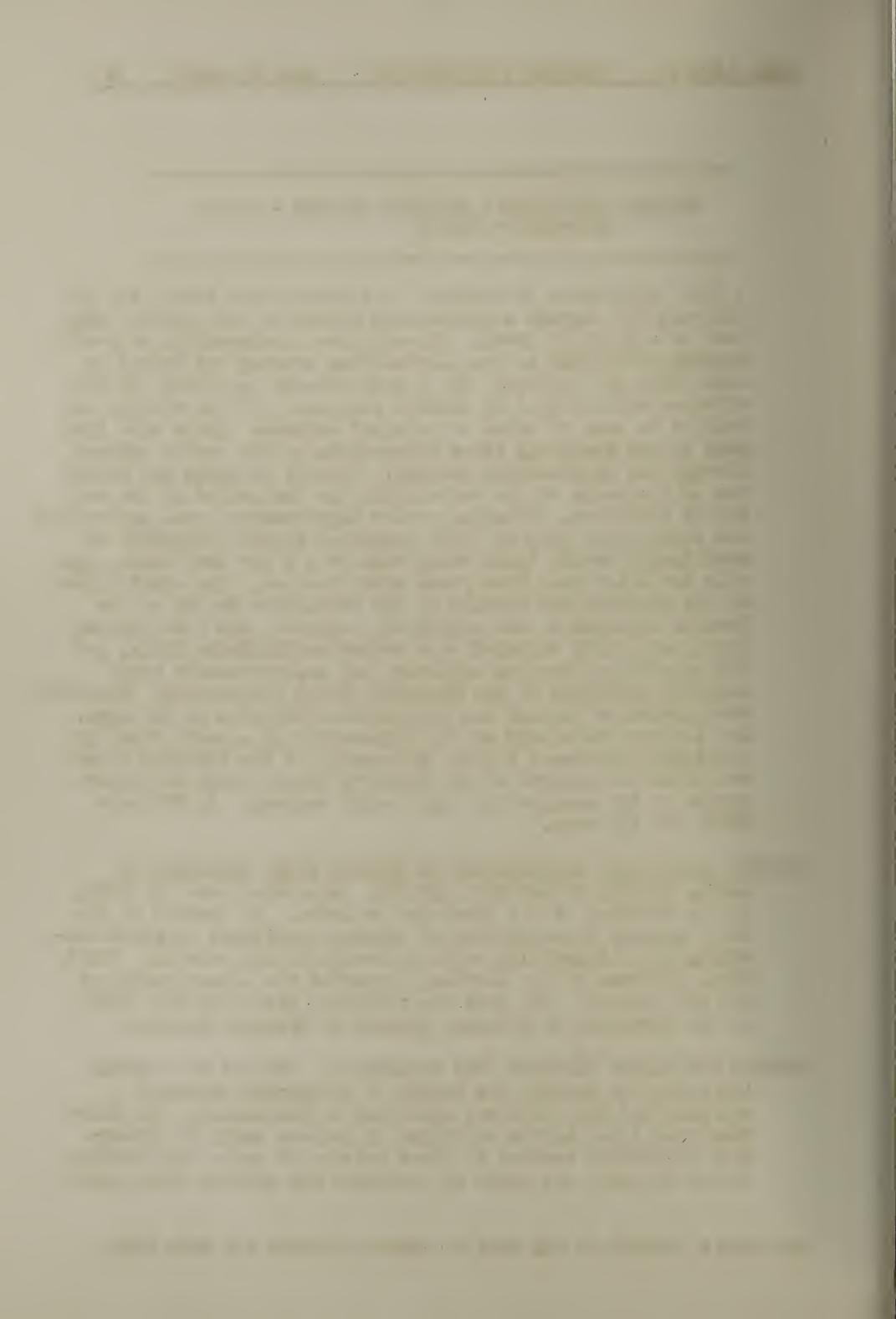


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a fund contributed by citizens to a corporation formed for the purpose; (3) through a corporation formed by some public body, such as a board of trade. In each case a corporation or realty company subsidiary to the shipbuilding company was formed to take title to the land. The realty company gave bond for all advances made secured by blanket mortgage, with provisions for release in case of sales to shipyard workers. Loans were then made by the Emergency Fleet Corporation to the realty company. through the shipbuilding company. Control of sales and rental was in the hands of the corporation for the period of the war. Public utilities, including street improvements, gas, electricity and water, were made by local companies whether privately or municipally owned, loans being made on a 5 per cent basis, payable not later than five years after the war. The construction of the projects was handled by the Production Bureau of the Housing Department, the architect, engineer, and town planner being especially employed on a cost-plus-fixed-fee basis, and the supervisor, project engineer, and superintendent being salaried employees of the Emergency Fleet Corporation. Materials were purchased through the Construction Division of the Army, and laborers were paid by the corporation at a scale fixed by the Labor Adjustment Board. Management of the finished houses was under the control of the Property Eureau which had supervision of the managers of each realty company. J. Willison Smith was director.

HOUSING SECTION ON; SUBCOMMITTEE ON WELFARE WORK, COMMITTEE ON LABOR, COUNCIL OR NATIONAL DEFENSE. Appointed June 28, 1917, by the chairman of the Committee on Labor. It carried on the first general investigation of housing conditions in munitions—making and shipbuilding centers throughout the country. Philip Hiss, chairman of the section, conducted the investigation at his own expense. The work was continued after October, 1917, by the Committee on Housing, Council of National Defense.

HOUSING AND HEALTH DIVISION, WAR DEPARTMENT. Created to consider the matter of housing and health of Government employees and Army and Navy officers stationed in Washington. The division gave legal advice on rights of tenants under the Saulsbury resolution enacted to check raising of rents and eviction during the war, and under the soldiers and sailors civil relief



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act in so far as it pertained to housing and to landlord and tenant proceedings. Capt. Julius I. Peyser, chief of the division, represented tenants in such cases tried in the municipal courts. The health and recreation of employees was looked after by two subsidiary organizations, the War Department Red Cross Auxiliary, and the Government Recreation League. The division was disbanded March, 1919.

HOUSING OPERATIONS: NATIONAL DEFENSE - Contd. 1940

This nation-wide record of present housing defense operations is arranged on (1) a chronological scheme and (2) on a geographical scheme. It will be kept up to date in following issues of the Housing Index Digest.

# General

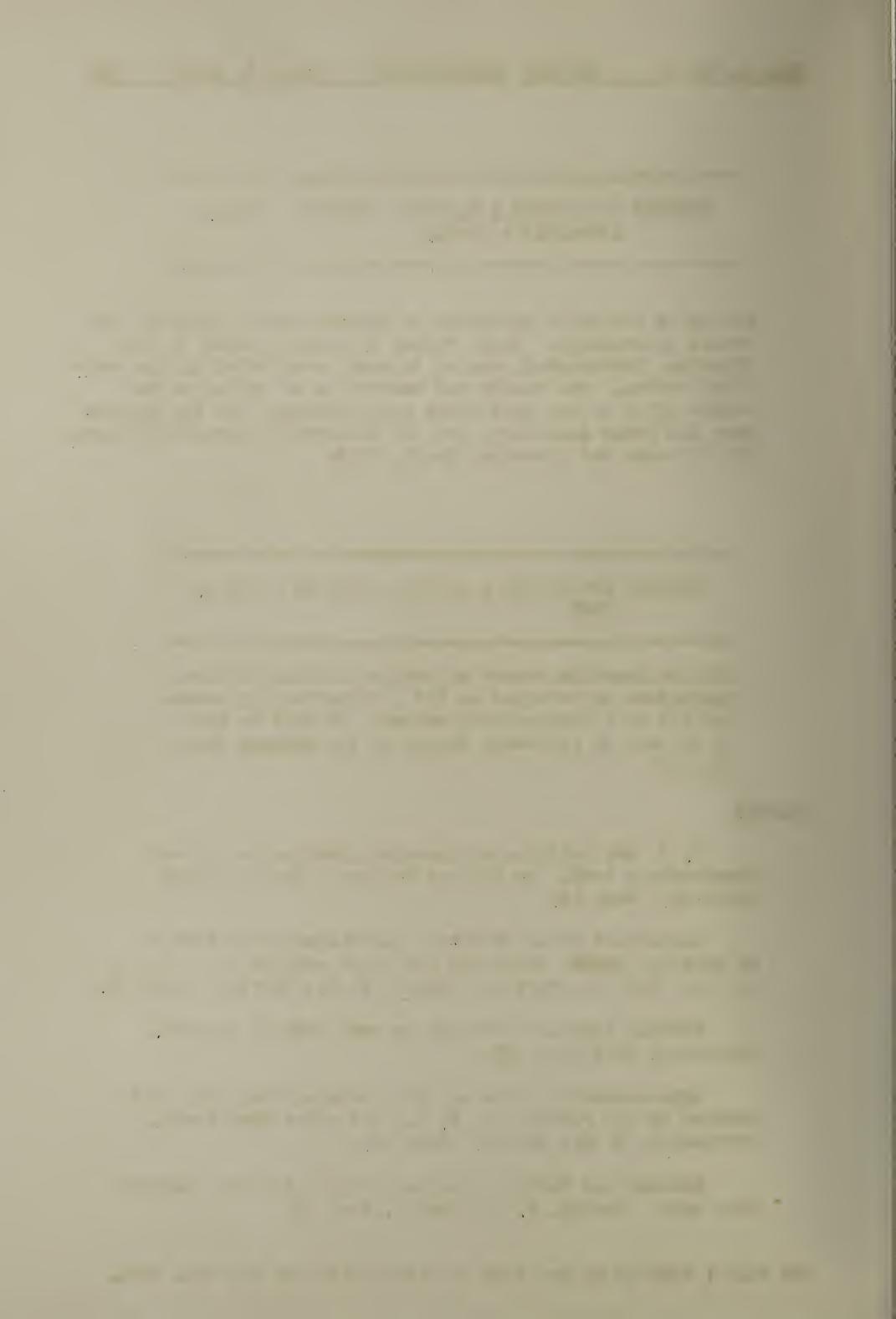
U. S. may mobilize all housing agencies to aid war preparedness work. By Richard Wallace. Memphis Press Scimitar. June 18.

Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers of America seeks dwellings for those engaged in national defense program. Camden, N. J., Courier. June 20.

Housing shortage forecast as arms work is speeded. Cincinnati Post, June 21.

Representative Jenks to study housing facilities for workers at the Portsmouth, N. H., and other Navy Yards. Portsmouth, N. H., Herald. June 22.

Housing and defense programs closely related, Langdon Post says. Durham, N. C., Herald. June 22.



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Board may aid housing in war-time. Gary, Ind., Post-Tribune - June 22.

Ordnance Chief asks report on housing status. Davenport, Ia., Democrat - June 23.

Additional housing for workers in defense industries. Editorials.

Hartford, Conn., Times - June 26. (Ind. Dem.)
Savannah, Ga., News, - June 26. (Ind. Dem.)

Housing and jobs vital in defense. By Eleanor Roosevelt. Washington News. June 27.

Housing expansion linked to defense, Cincinnati Post. June 27.

Roger V. Huntington, president of New York State Real Estate Association, urges realty defense study. Utica, N. Y., Observer - Dispatch. June 28.

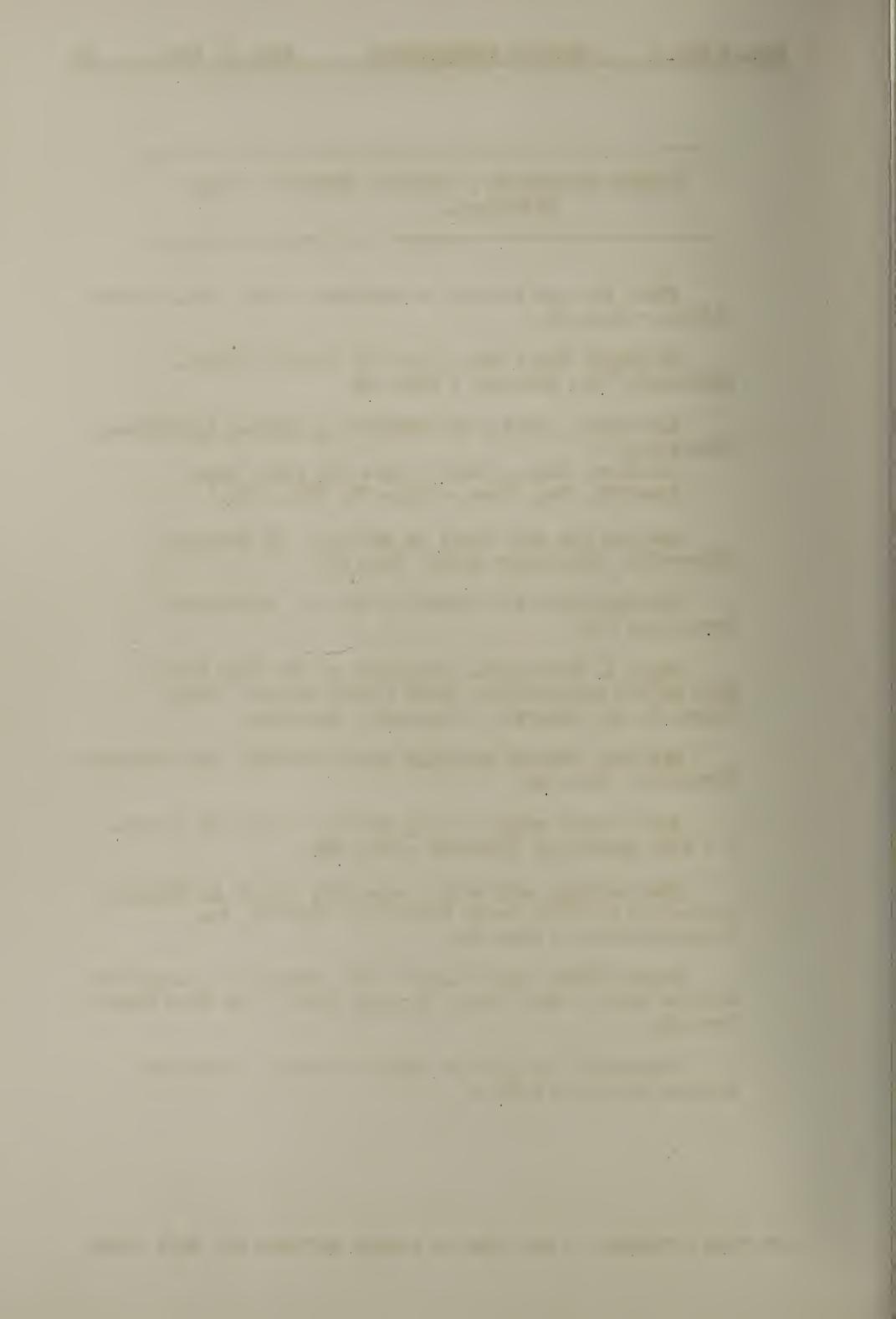
National defense plan may boost housing. San Francisco Chronicle - June 28.

Real estate boards to aid defense in housing survey. New York Journal of Commerce - June 29.

Navy housing need acute, says Adm. Jospeh K. Taussig, commandant of Fifth Naval District. Norfolk, Va., Virginian Pilot - June 29.

Realty boards offer defense aid - National Association submits plan to meet urgent housing needs. New York Times - June 30.

Permanency one goal of defense housing - Christian Science Monitor - July 2.



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Rehousing held vital to defense. Akron, O., Beacon Journal. July 3.

Defense housing approved - \$13,500,000 earmarked for Navy and industrial employees. (U.P.) New York Herald Tribune. (Special) New York Times. July 4.

U.S.H.A. boasts defense garb; emerges as full fledged national protection agency. Grand Rapids Press. July 5.

Nathan Straus transfers funds to defense housing work. New York Herald Tribune. July 6.

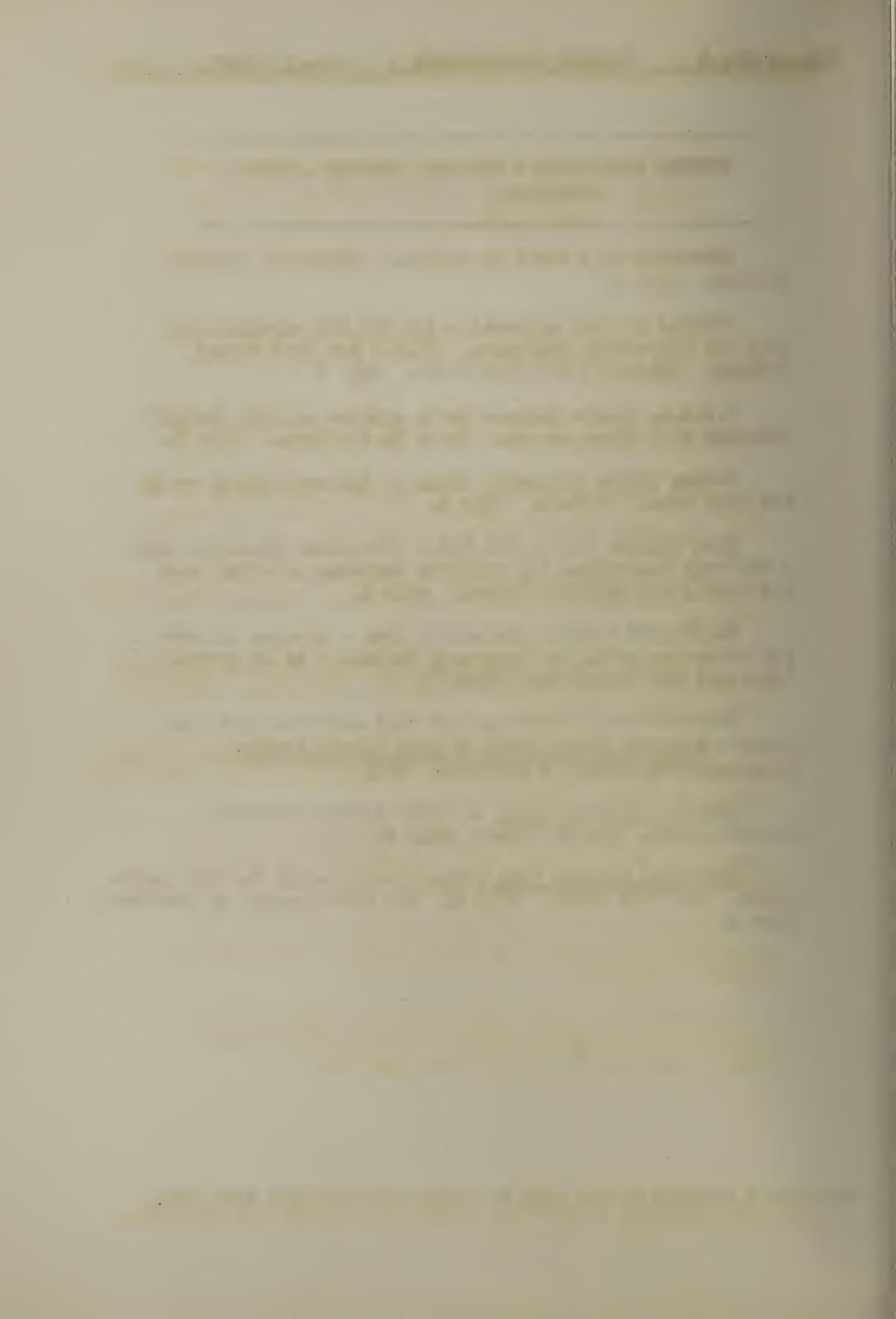
Arms workmen can't find homes, President Roosevelt told - advisory body urges big building campaign as vital need now (U.P.) Philadelphia Record. July 7.

\$9,364,275 housing planned by Army - program to care for expansion calls for temporary buildings at 18 posts. (Special) New York Times. July 7.

Preparedness program cue for real estate's next move reports National Association of Real Estate Boards. Winston-Salem Journal & Sentinel. July 7.

Twentieth Century Fund to study defense workers' housing needs. New York Sun. July 8.

Twentieth Century Fund plans housing study for war industries. New York Times. July 8. New York Journal of Commerce. July 8.



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Army acts to build emergency barracks - temporary structures to be rushed to house new forces. New York Times - July 8.

New defense "bottleneck" seen in housing shortage. By Edwin J. Lebherz. Buffalo Courier Express. July 9.

Home shortage putting defense plans in danger, U. S. agency reports plants. (A.P.) New York Herald Tribune. July 10. Wall Street Journal. July 10.

Housing problem in places with increasing defense production. Editorial Racine, Wisconsin, Journal-Times (Rep.) July 11.

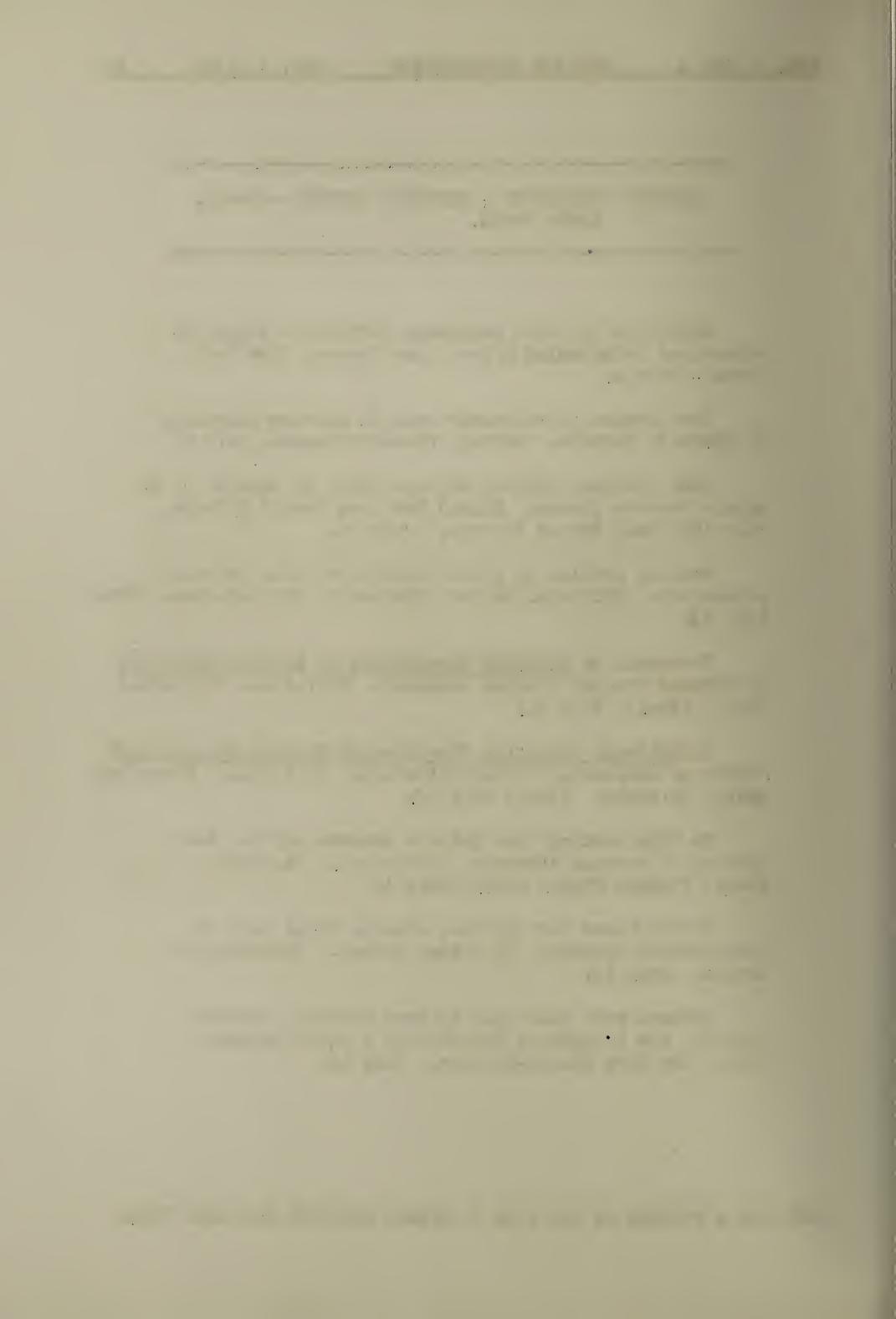
Statement by <u>National Association of Housing Officials</u> on defense housing program endorsed. Editorial. Milwaukee Post. (Soc.) July 11.

On <u>National Executive Committee of Housing Authorities</u> report on desperate housing situation. Editorial. Worcester, Mass., Telegram. (Rep.) July 12.

On USHA warning that defense program may bog down because of housing shortage. Editorial. St. Paul, Minn., Pioneer Press. (Ind.) July 12.

Better homes for defense, housing vital part of preparedness program. By Nathan Straus. Philadelphia Record. July 14.

Defense move held spur to home building, private industry now is getting \$20,000,000 a month reports USHA. New York Herald-Tribune. July 15.



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Executive Council of National Association of Housing Officials considers defense; U. S. program may create problems. Cincinnati Post, July 16.

Defense program encompasses housing agencies. By George D. Riley. Washington Times-Herald. July 17.

Housing needs for defense; representative of construction industry pleads for increased number of homes to house workers in vastly expanded industrial program. Editorial. Boston Globe. (Ind.) July 18.

Government's institution of huge building program for defense. Editorial. Lowell Mass., Sun. (Ind. Dem.)
July 20.

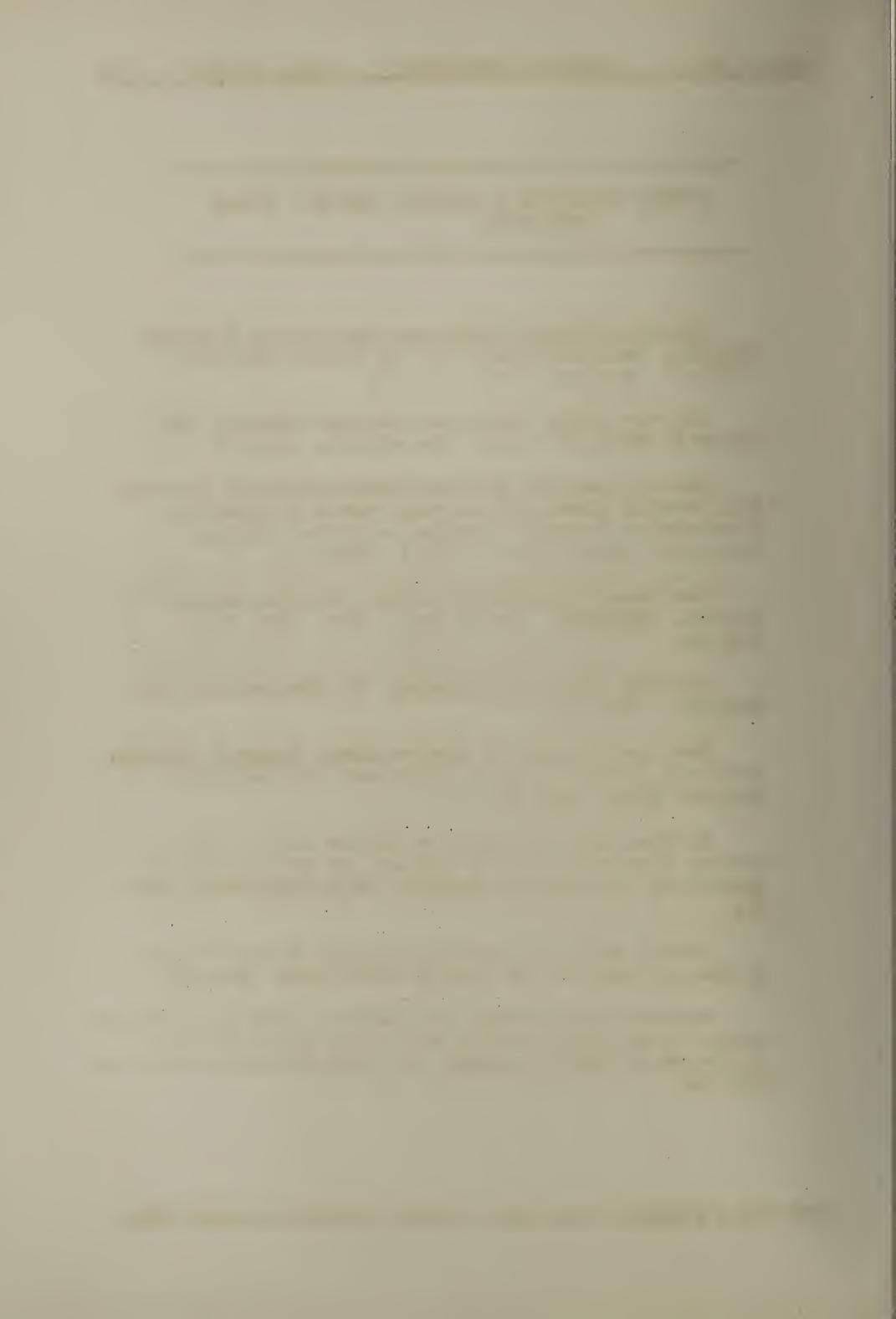
Building leaders aid defense. New York Journal and American. July 20.

Sees housing need for arms workers, <u>Harvey W. Corbett</u>, architect, predicts boom if plants move from seacoasts. New York Times. July 21.

U. S. speeds up program for defense homes, low-rent housing plans are pushed by U.S.H.A. and National Defense Commission. By Nelson M. Shepard. Washington Star. July 21.

Country will need architects in U.S. defense program. By James L. Holton. New York World-Telegram. July 22.

Shift of housing funds is reported by USHA Administrator Nathan Straus, authorization which local units were slow to use put in defense program. New York Journal of Commerce. July 22.



Housing problem in defense program and citation of warning of Col. Leonard P. Ayers on seriousness of matter. Editorials. Providence R.I., Journal (Ind.) July 24.

House bloc kills plan for USHA defense grant, scheme would have given \$250,000,000 for workers' homes. Washington Post. July 26.

Realters to oppose worker migrations - U. S. cities and towns can supply plants and housing. By James L. Holton. New York World-Telegram. July 26.

National Association of Real Estate Boards asks share in defense plan. San Francisco News. July 27.

Housing needs seen in shippard cities - USHA urged to build 7,500 low rent houses in five centers. Philadelphia Bulletin. July 27. New York Journal of Commerce. July 29.

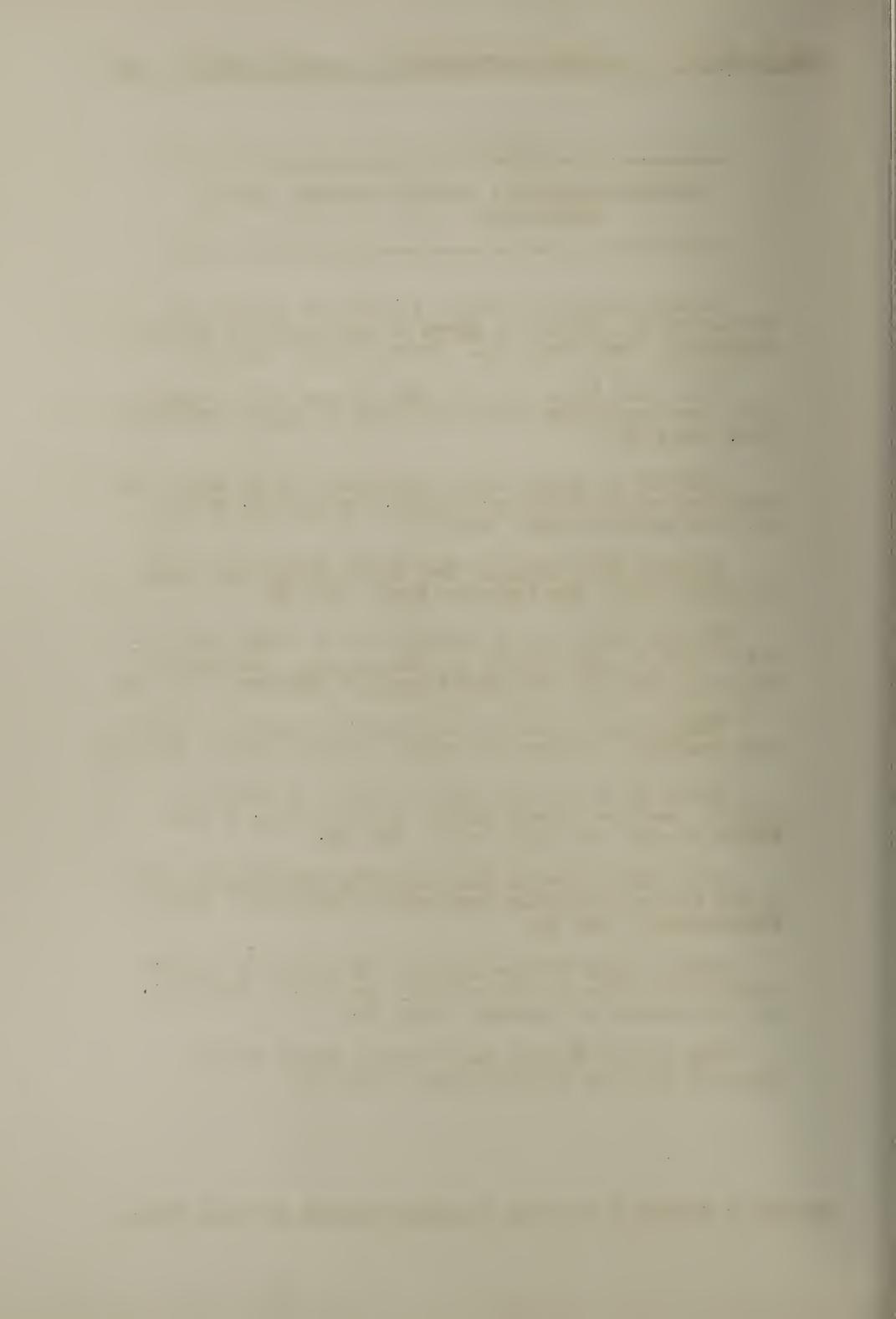
USHA defense housing plans opposed by realtors, apartment operators, builders and others. Spattle Times. July 28.

Zoning is affected by defense plans - By Herbert U. Nelson, executive vice-president, National Assn. of Real Estate Boards. San Diego Union. July 28.

House members credit Representative Coffee for economy - Inland housing facilities overlooked in Navy Bill. Omaha World-Herald. July 29.

USHA to speed defense housing - No bottleneck seen by Administrator Straus - Six projects approved by President. New York Journal of Commerce. July 29.

USHA set for housing task declares Nathan Straus. (Special) New York World-Telegram. July 29.



USHA promises adequate housing for defense staff - Nathan Straus declars agency is "tooled up" to do big quick job. Washington Star. July 29.

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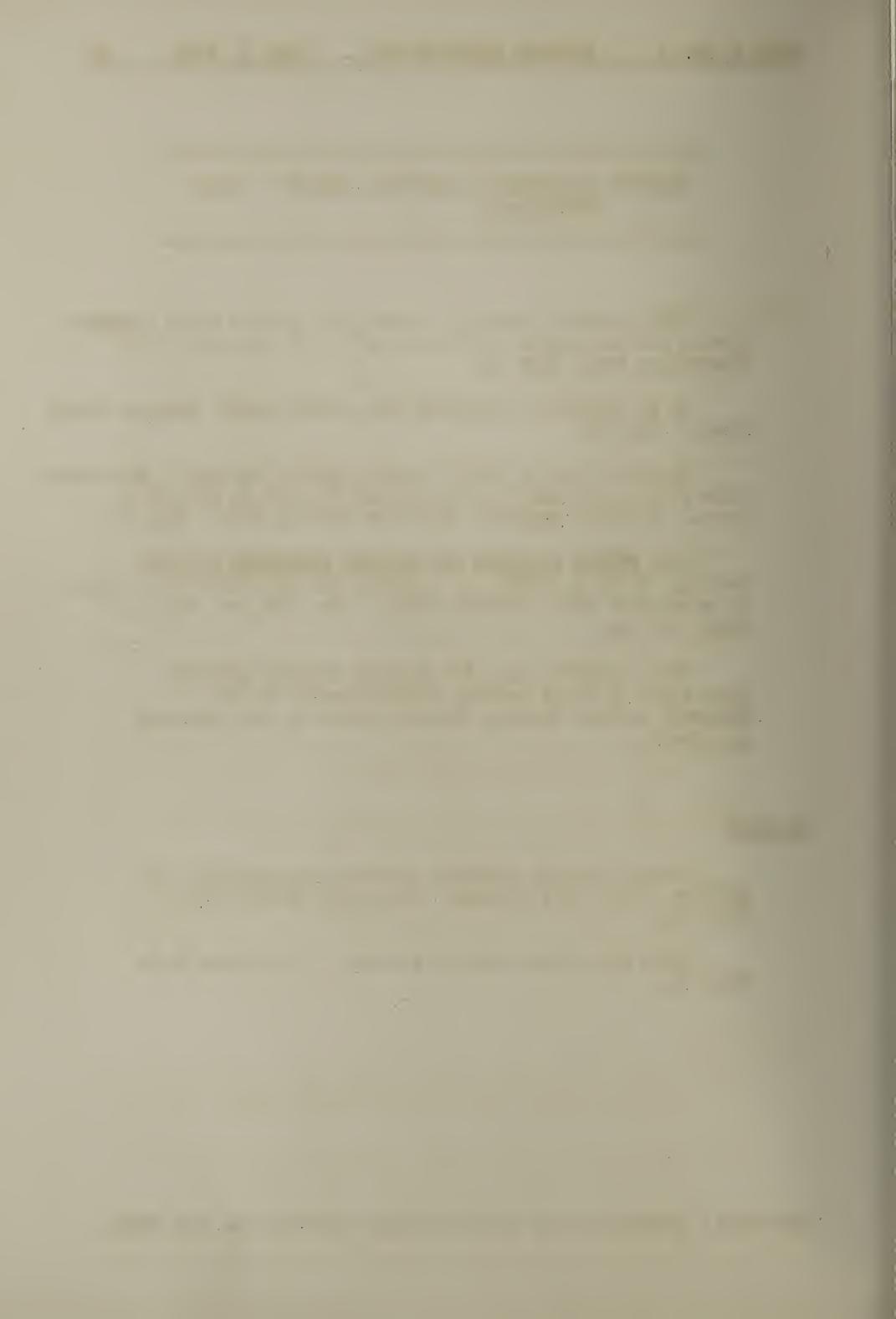
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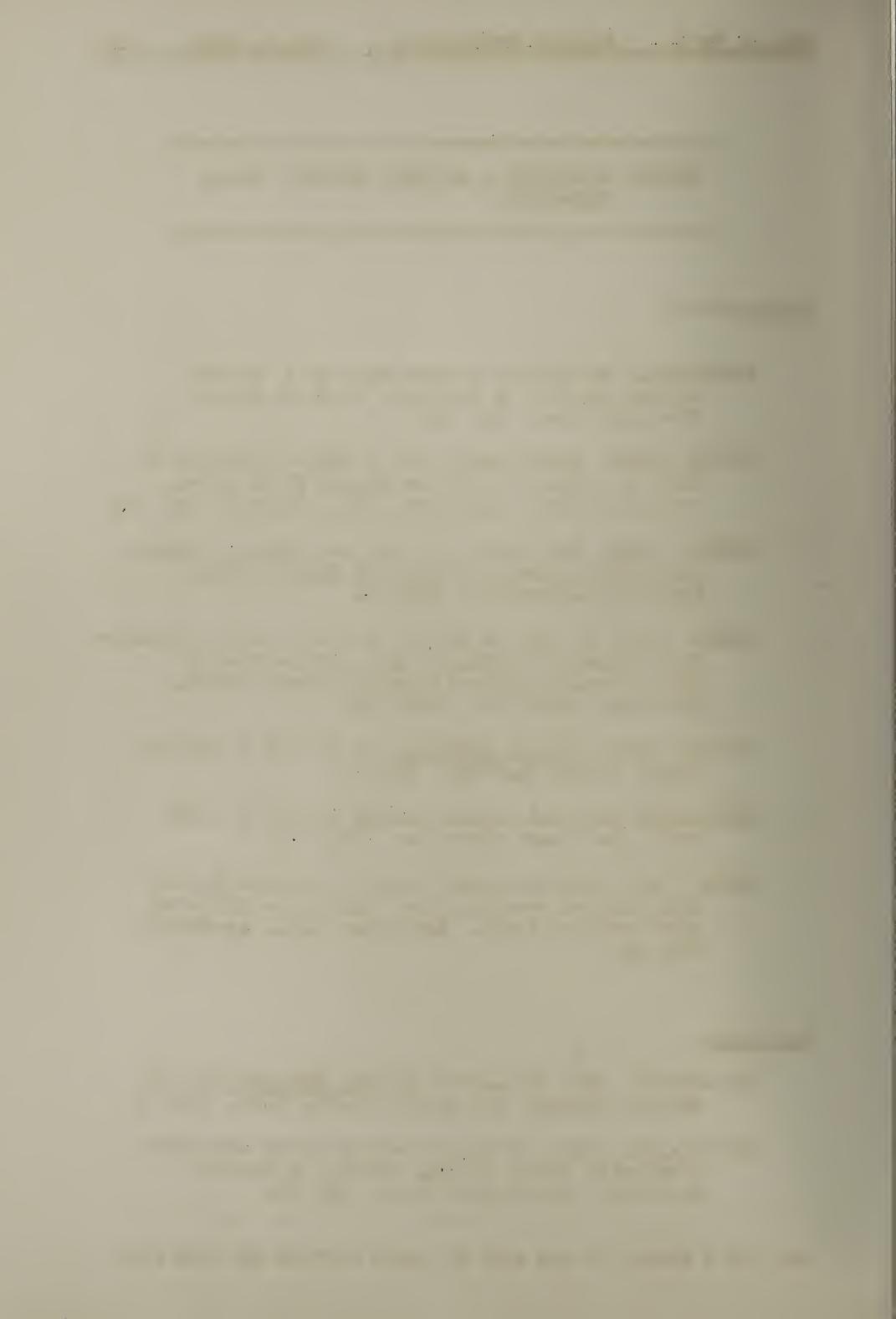
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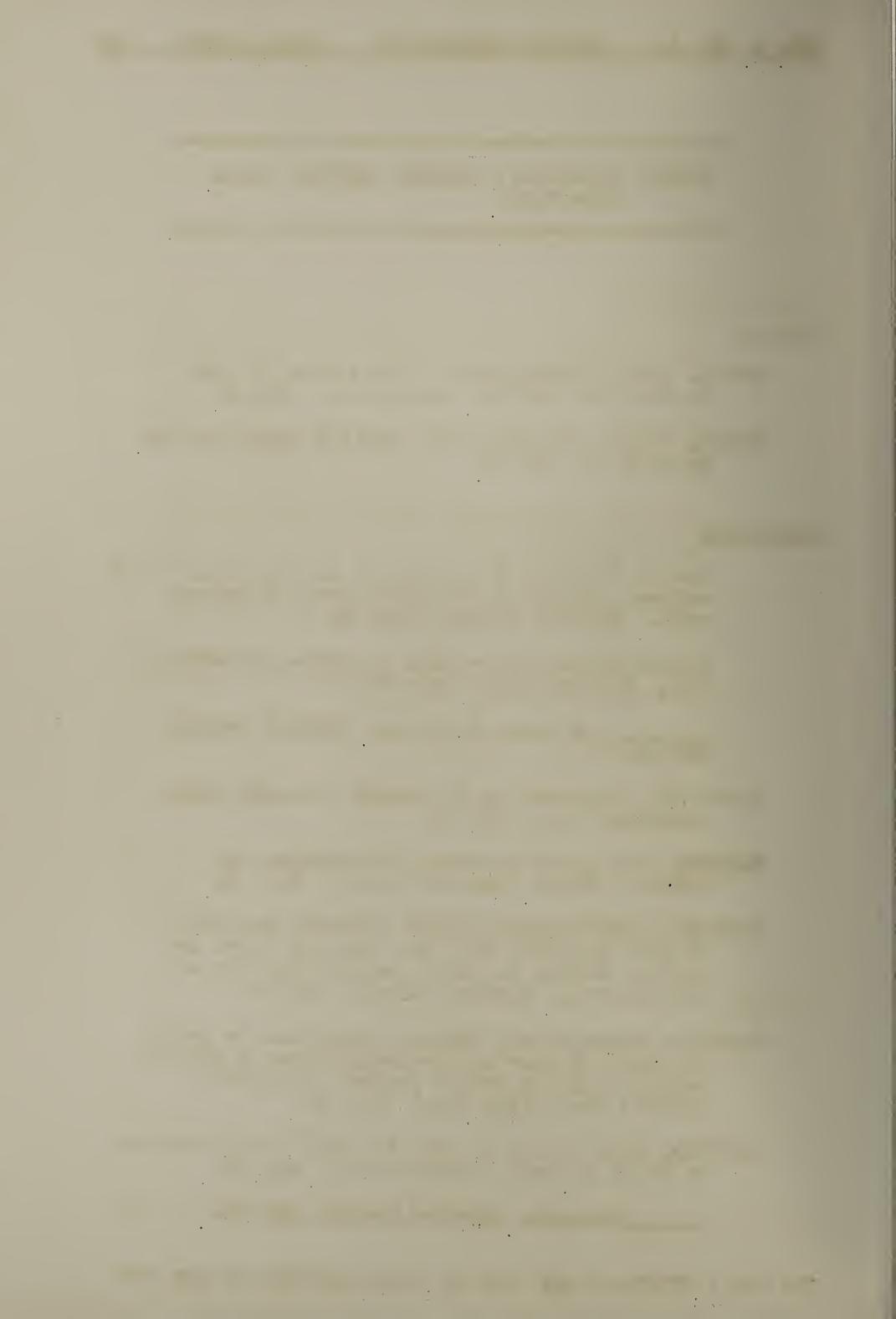
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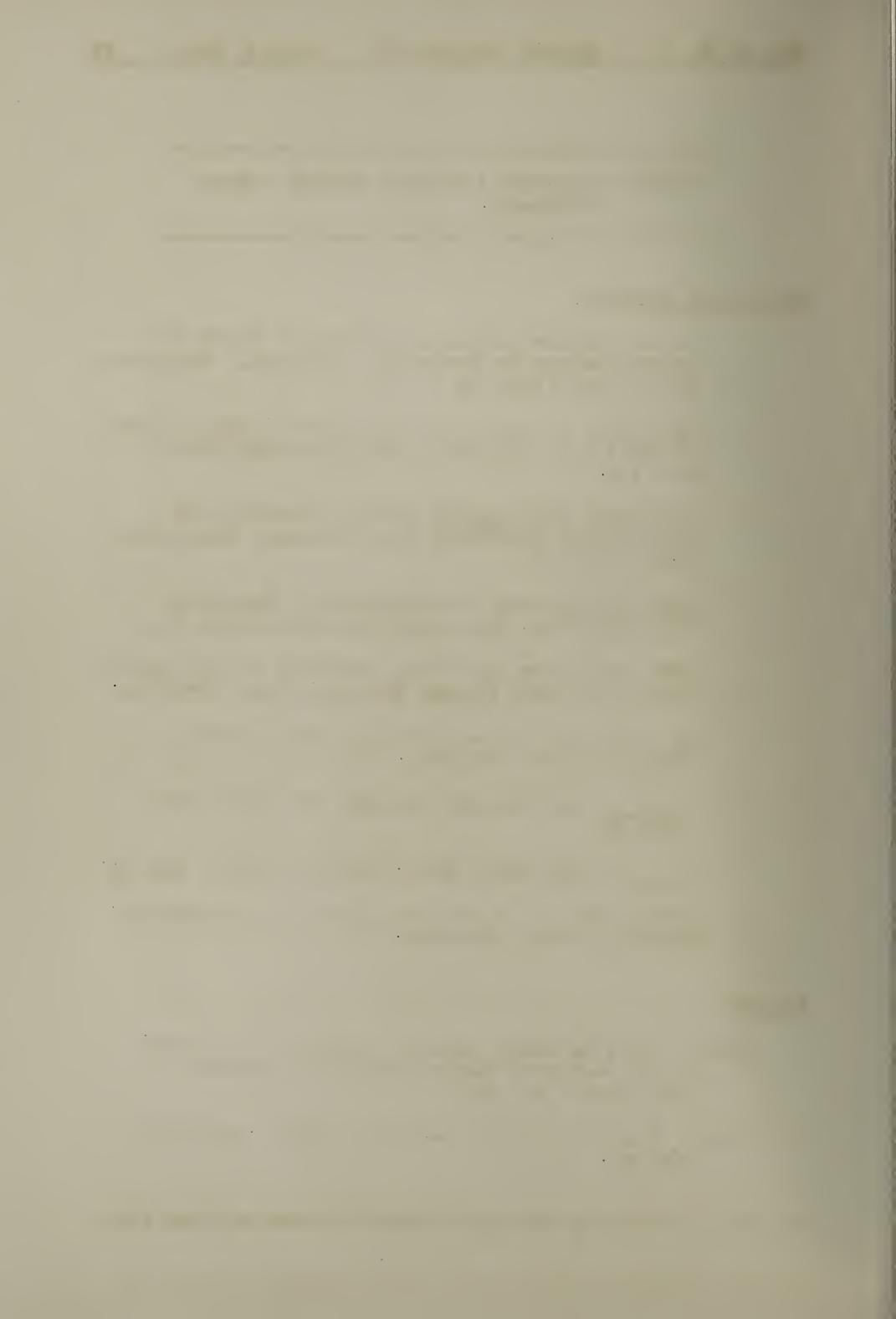
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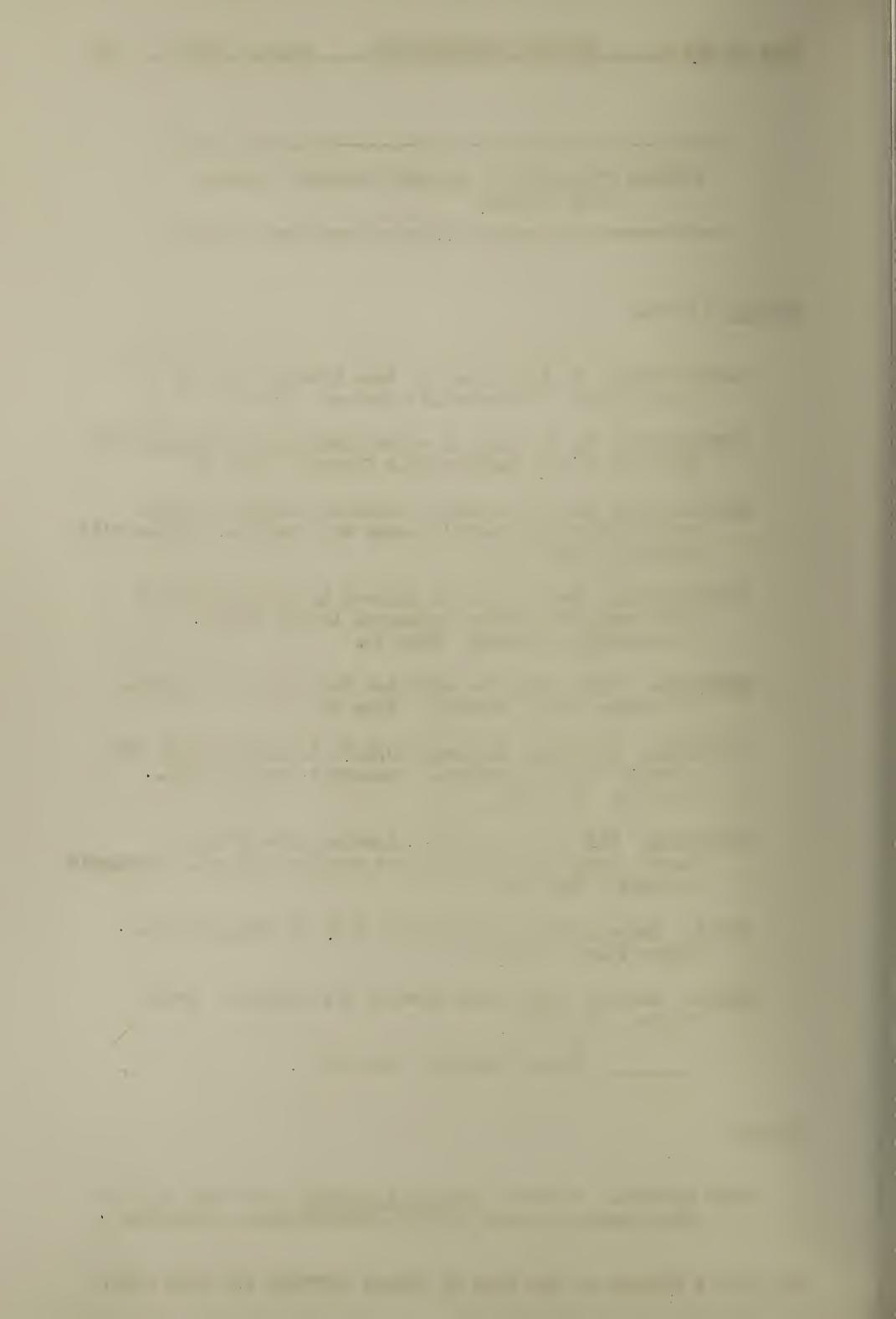
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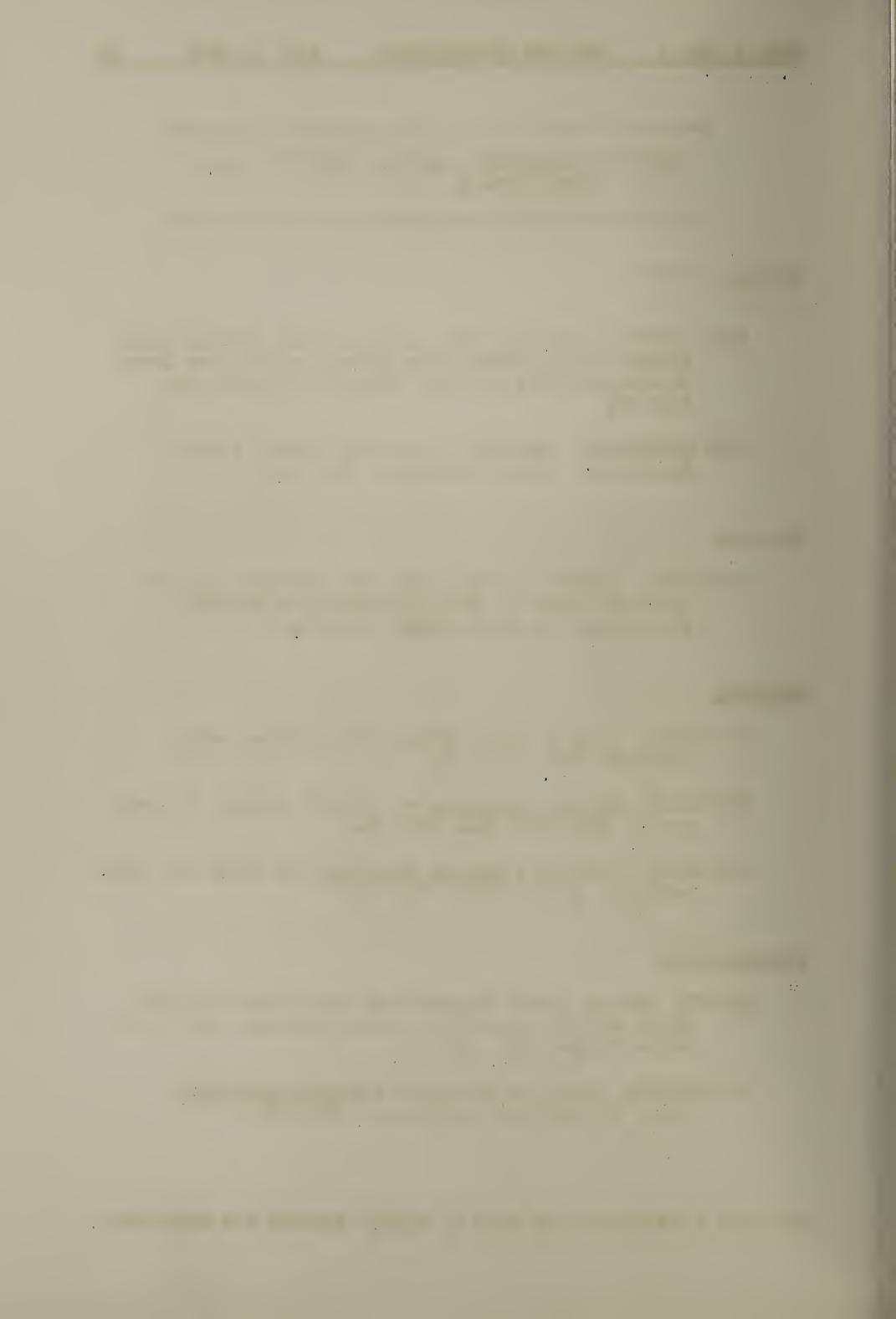
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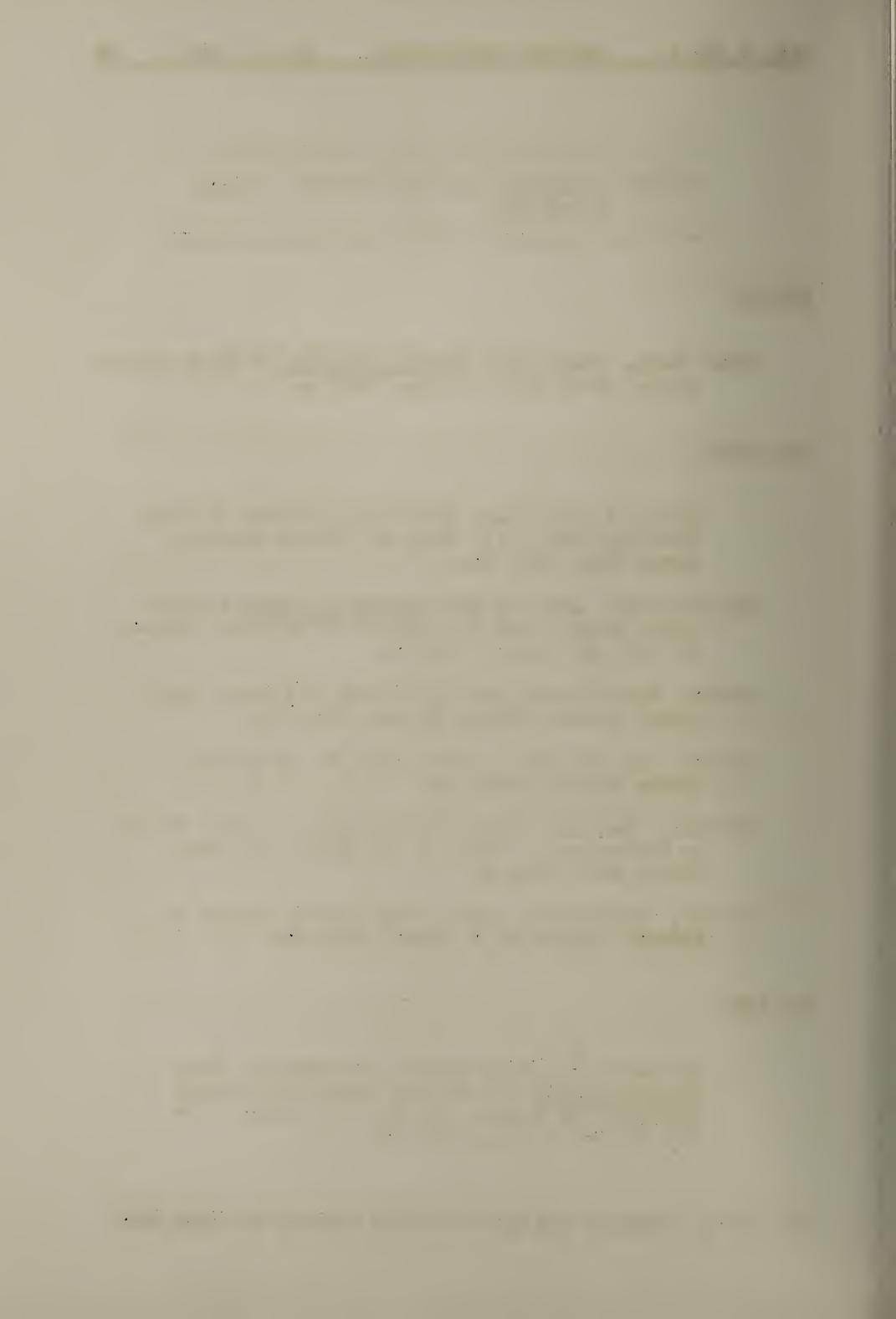
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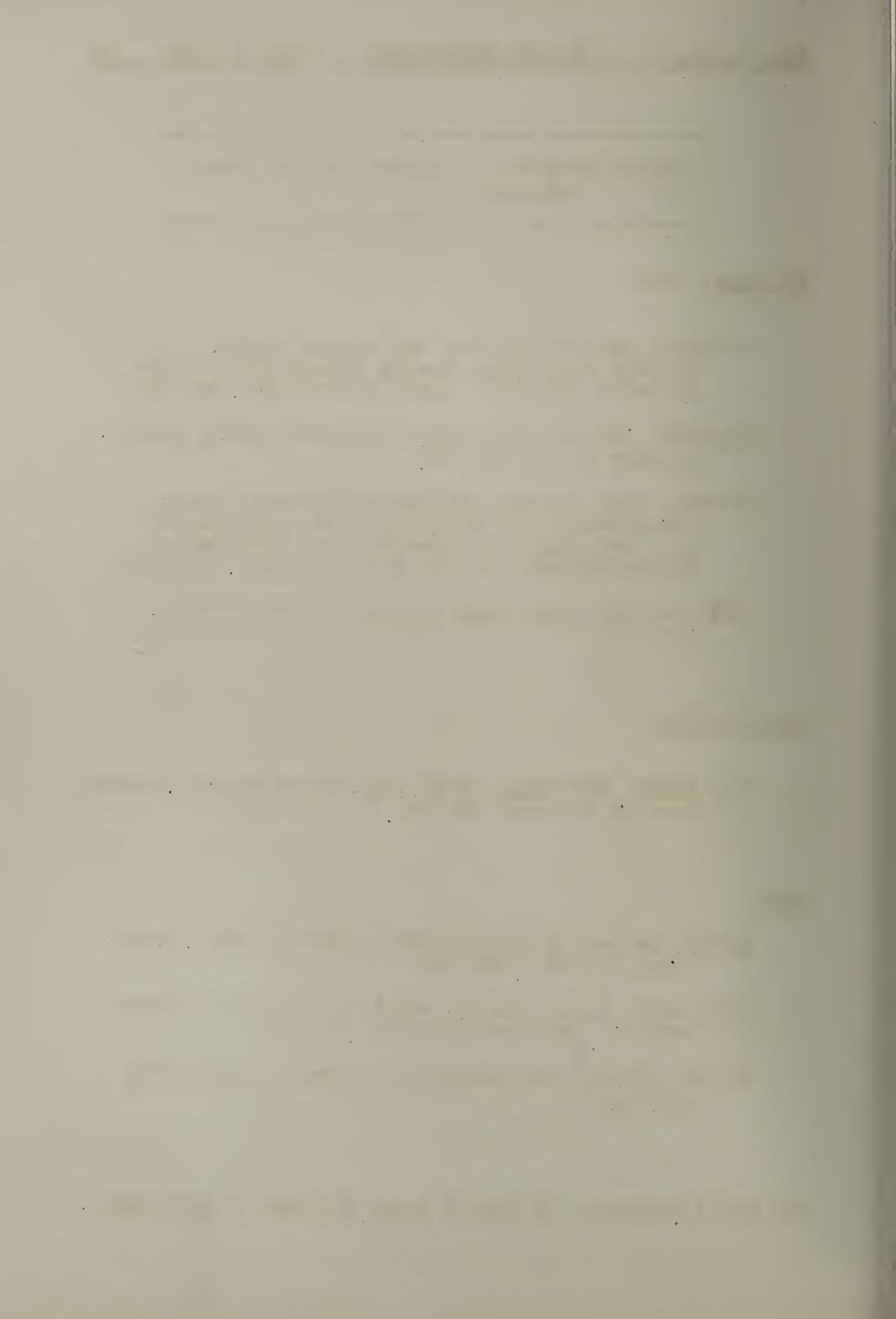
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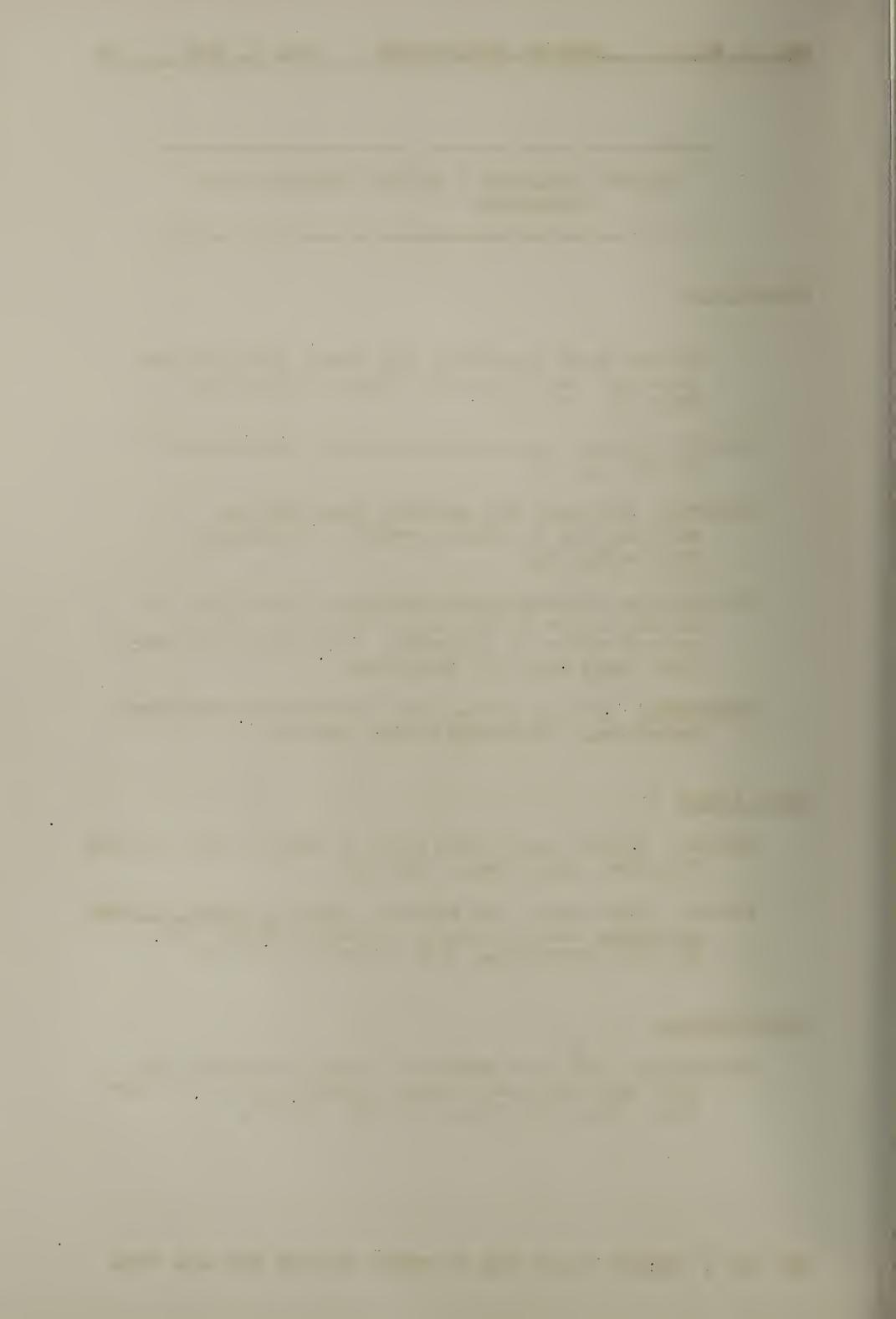
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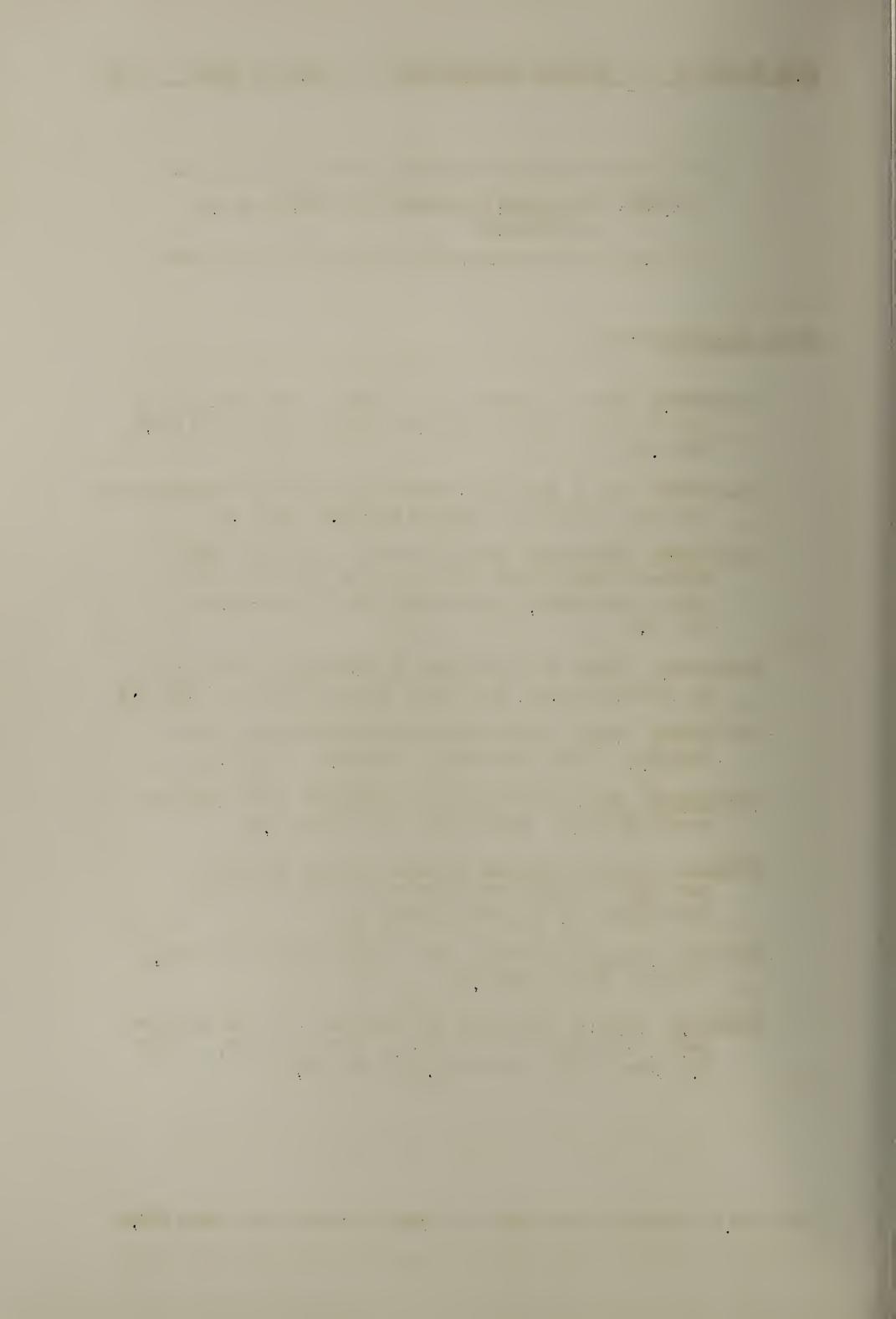
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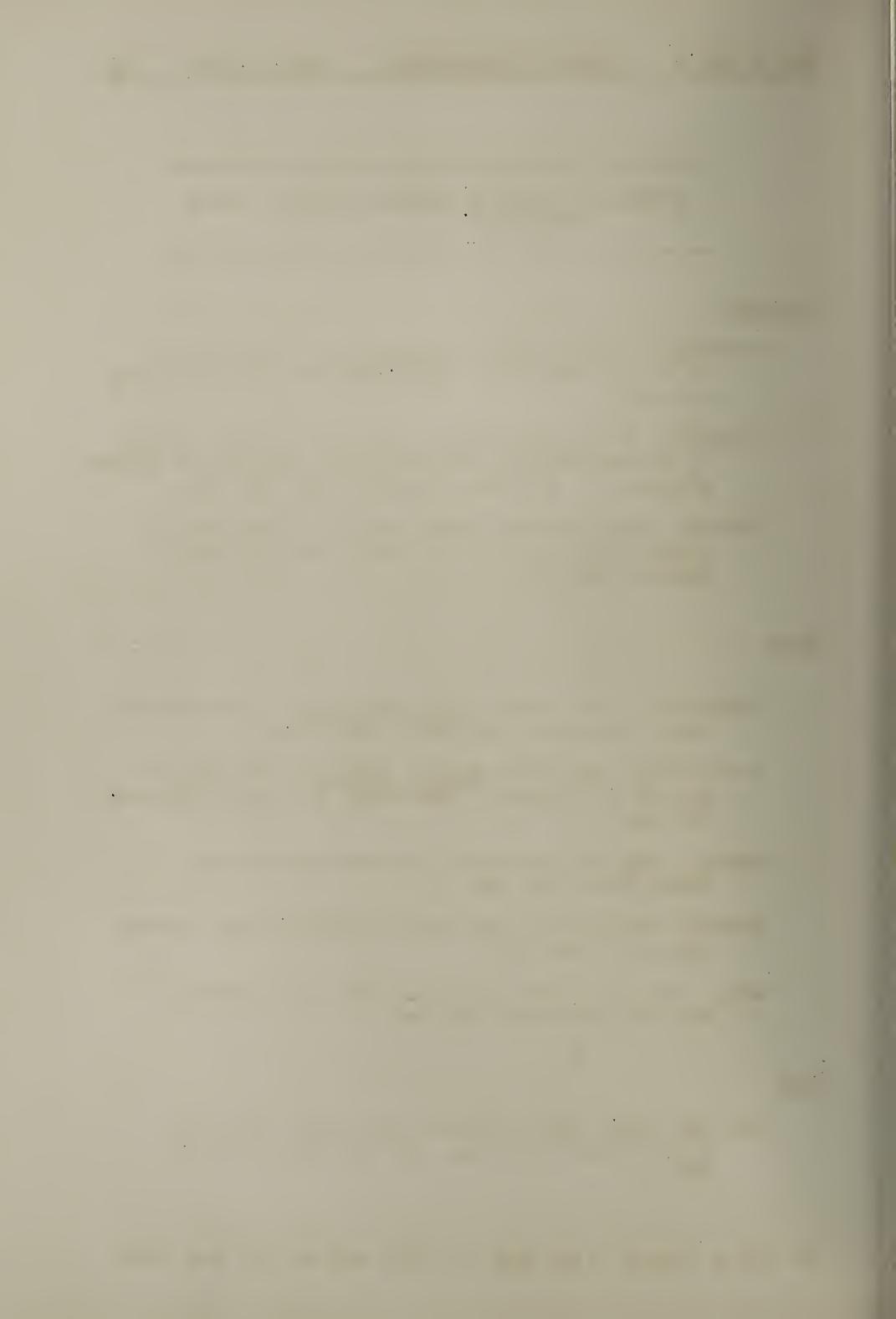
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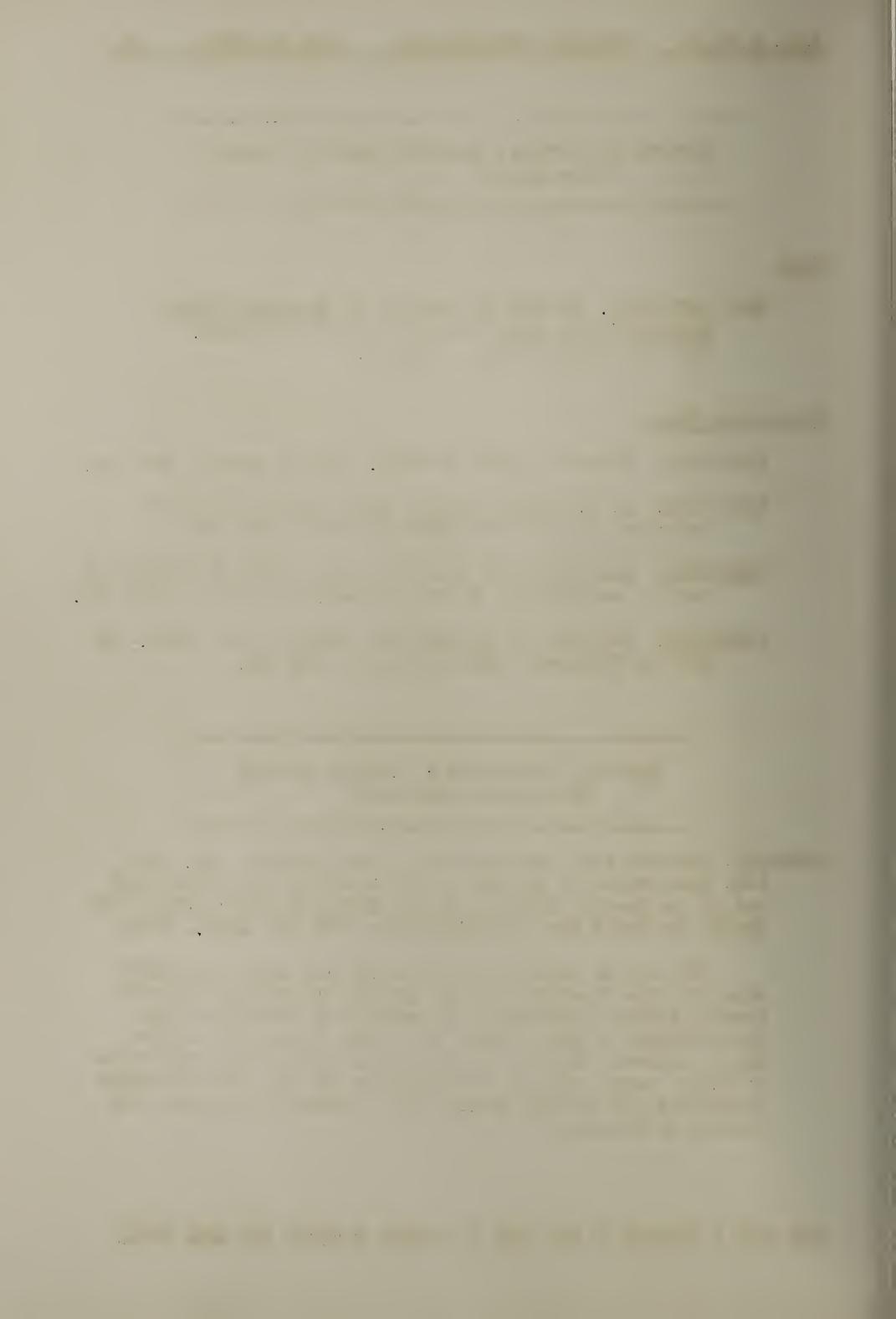
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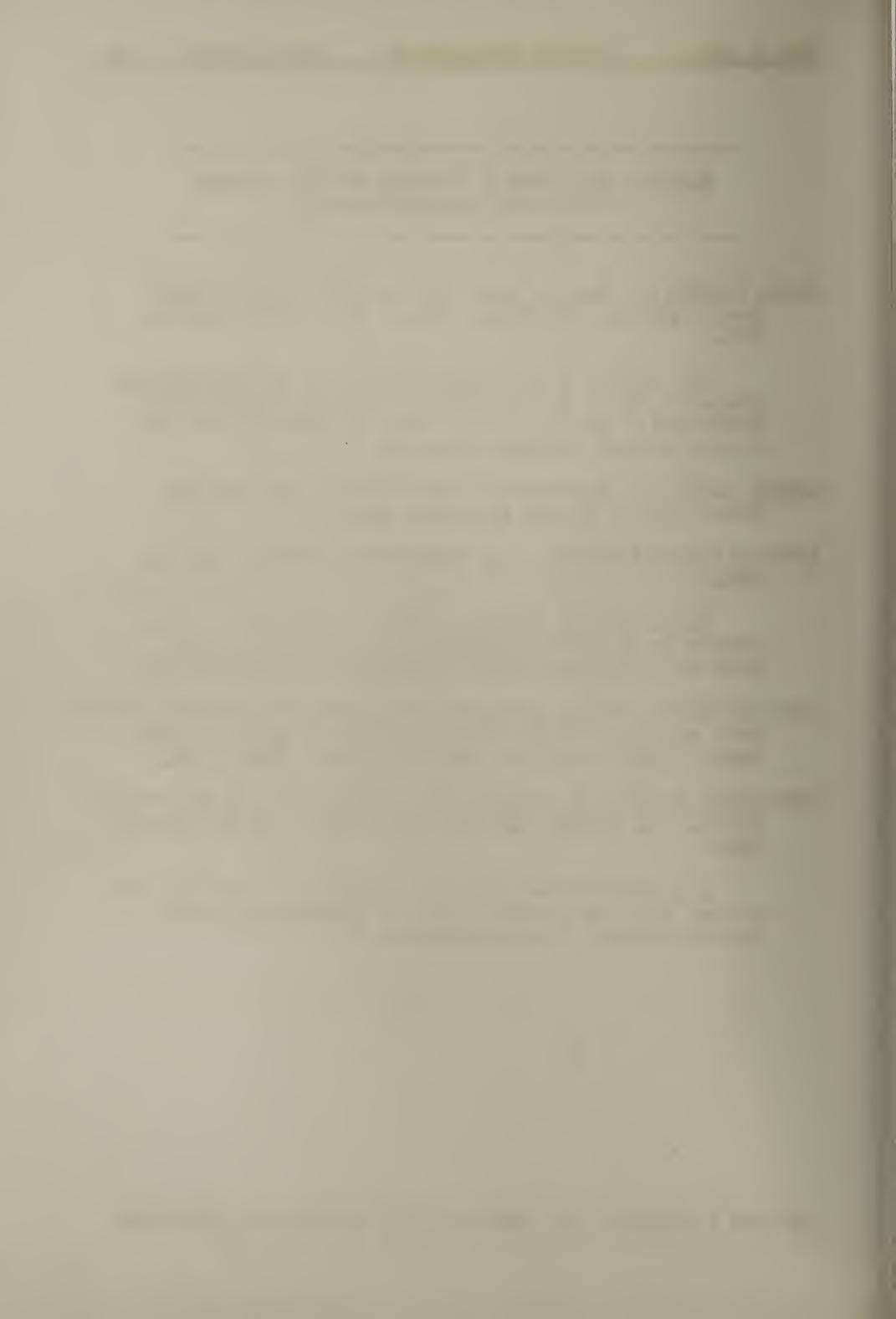
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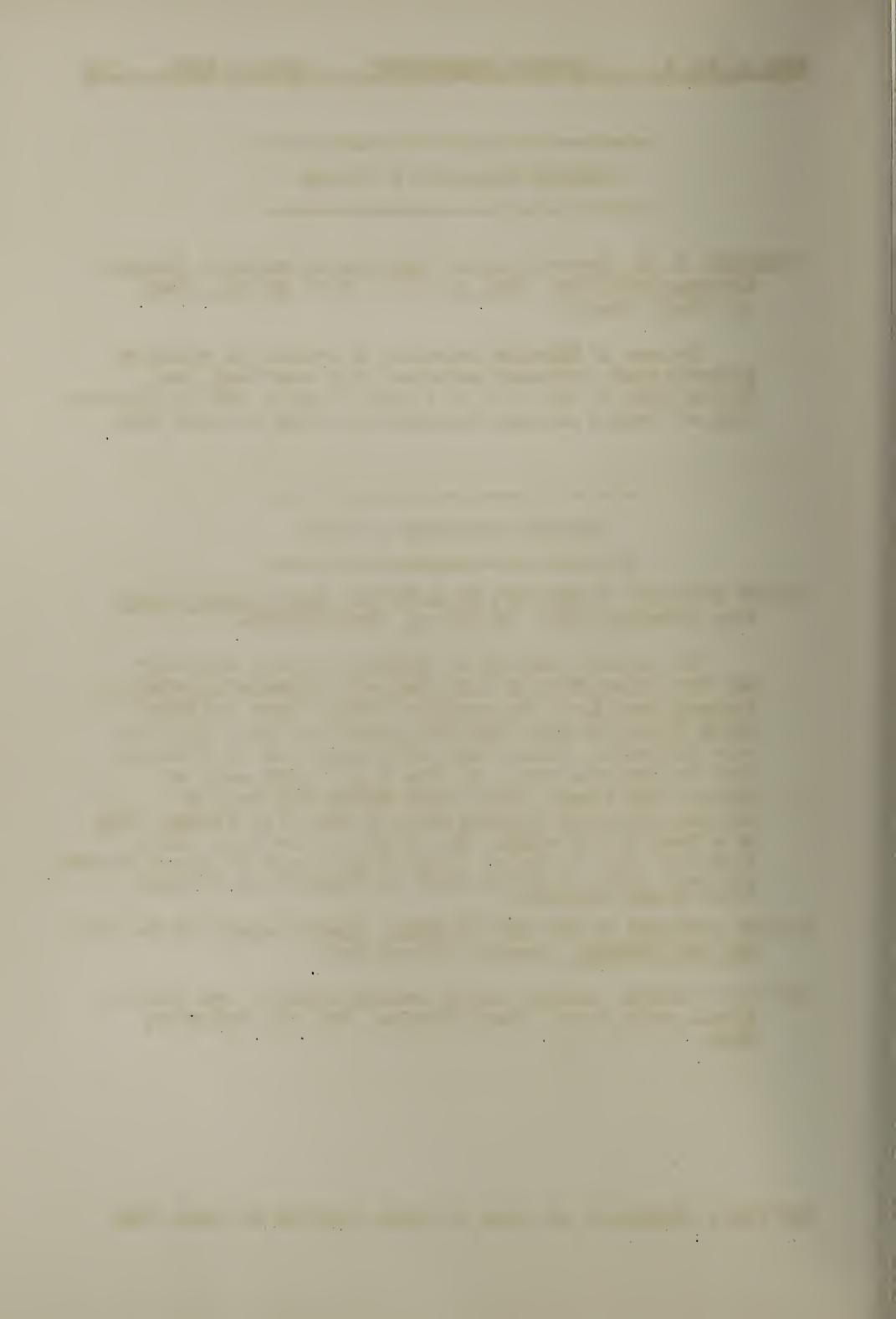
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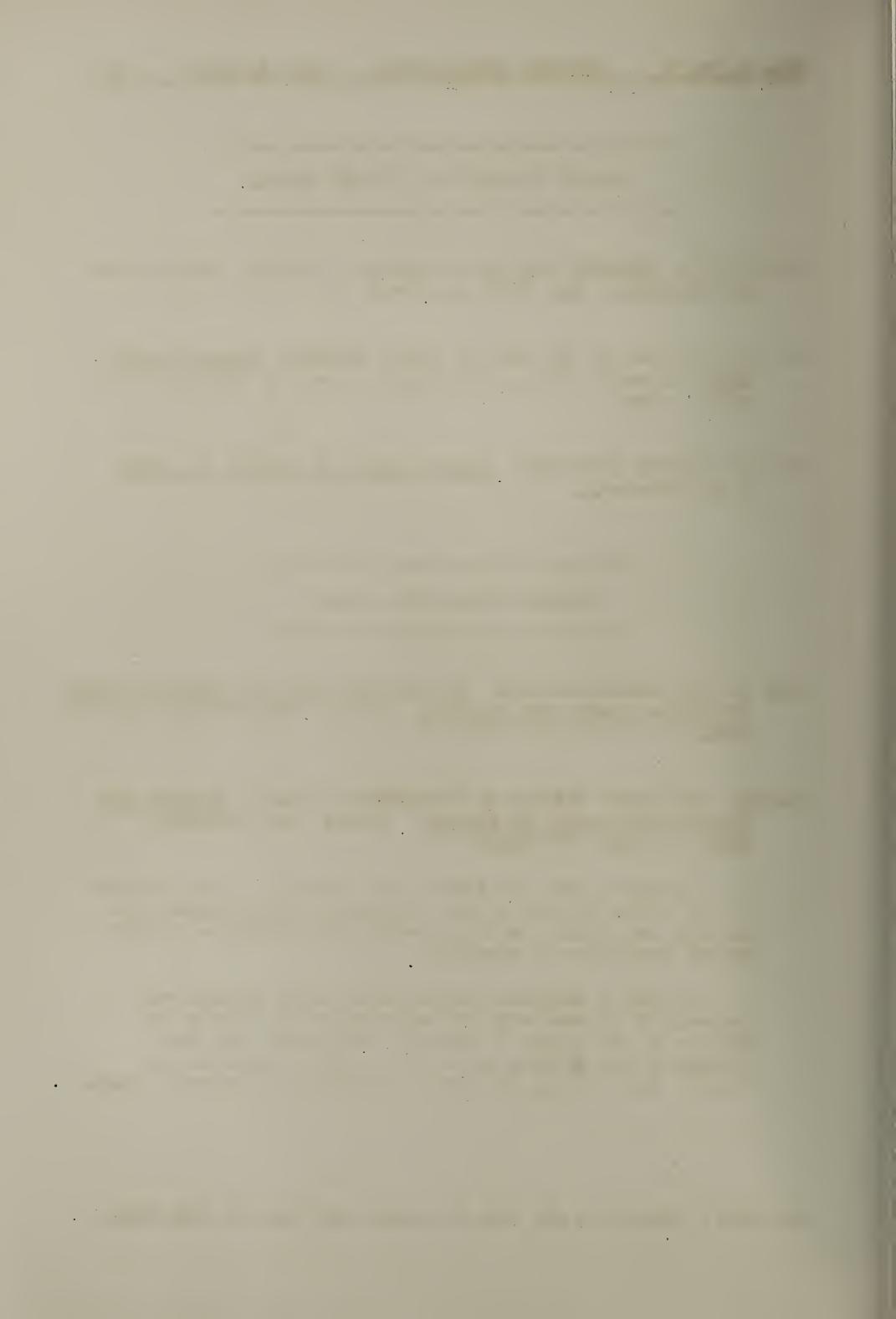
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In 1931 a European Conference on Rural Hygiene was convened at Geneva under the auspices of the Section on Hygiene of the League of Nations. Following this Conference it was decided by the same body to undertake an inquiry into housing and labor conditions in non-urban areas.



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FRANCE. COMMISSION D'ETUDE DE L'HABITATION RURALE- Contd.

The cooperation of various European governments was solicited. France responded by constituting a commission under the joint direction of the Minister of Public Health and the Minister of Agriculture to study rural housing. Professor Jacques Parisot, delegate of France to the League of Nations and president of the League's Committee on Hygiene was made president of the Commission on Rural Housing of the government of France.

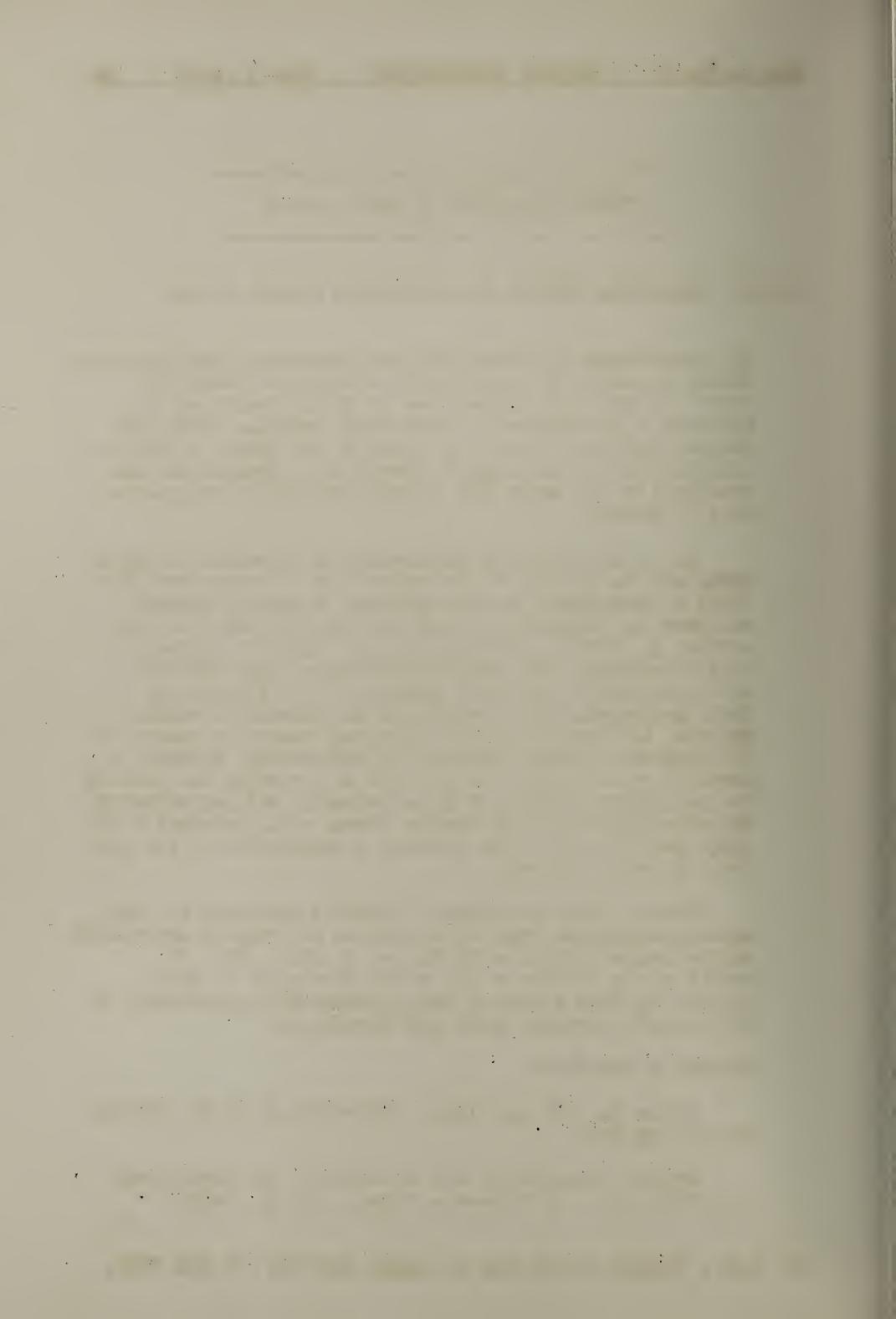
At the conclusion of preparatory deliverations in April 1935, all the prefect of the departments of France were invited to participate in this inquiry. A special circular was drawn up designed to elicit necessary information concerning the varying conditions in the different regions of each department. The points of inquiry of this Circular were developed by the chief engineer of the Division of Rural Engineering also a member of the Council on Public Hygiene, M. Vignerot, and the technical inspector general of the Ministry of Public Health, Dr. Leclainche. Finally, a detailed questionnaire was prepared to accompany the circular to the prefect. Copies of these documents and facsimiles of the questionnaire and of various forms, etc., proposed to be used, are included in the volumes, a description of the contents of which follows.

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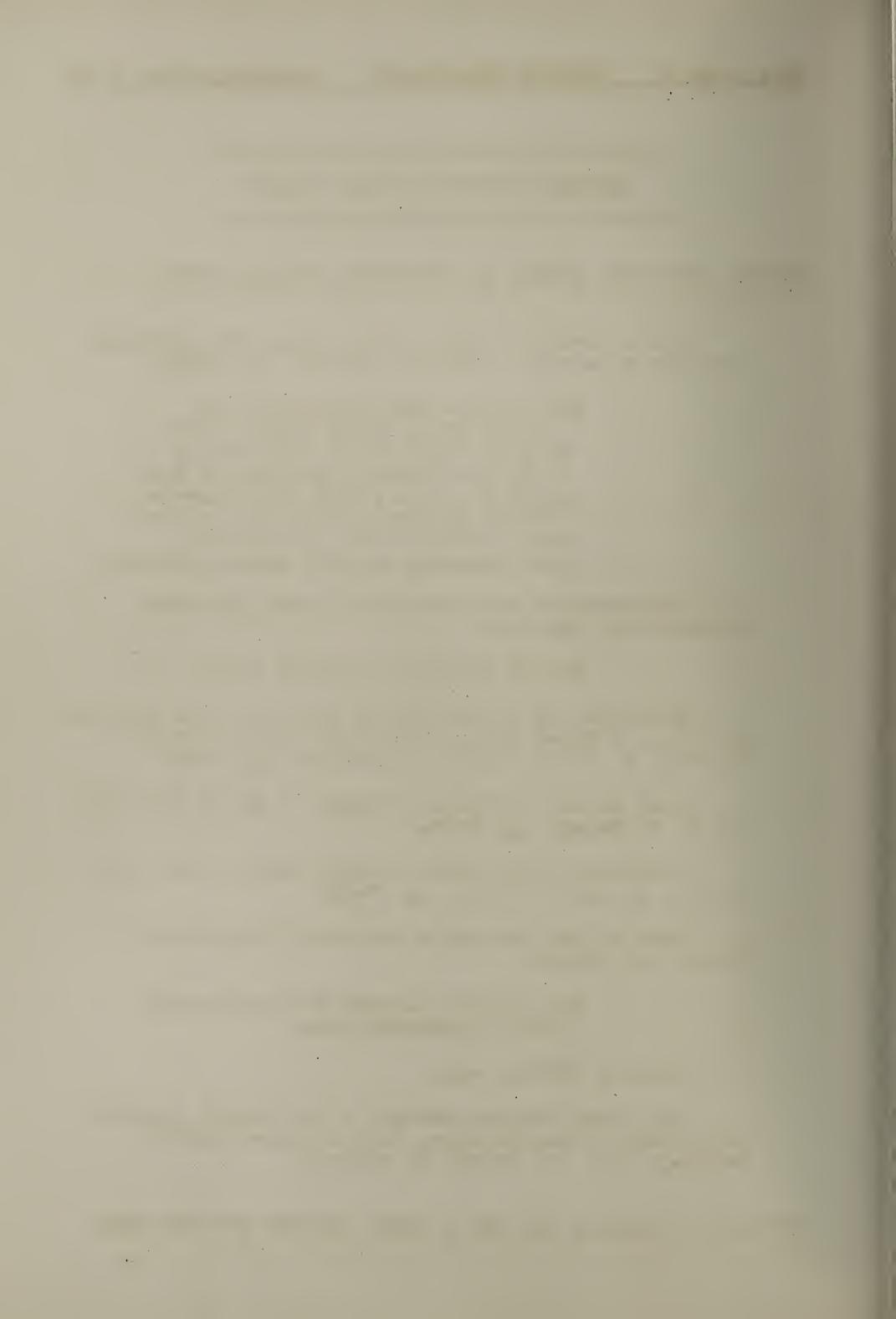
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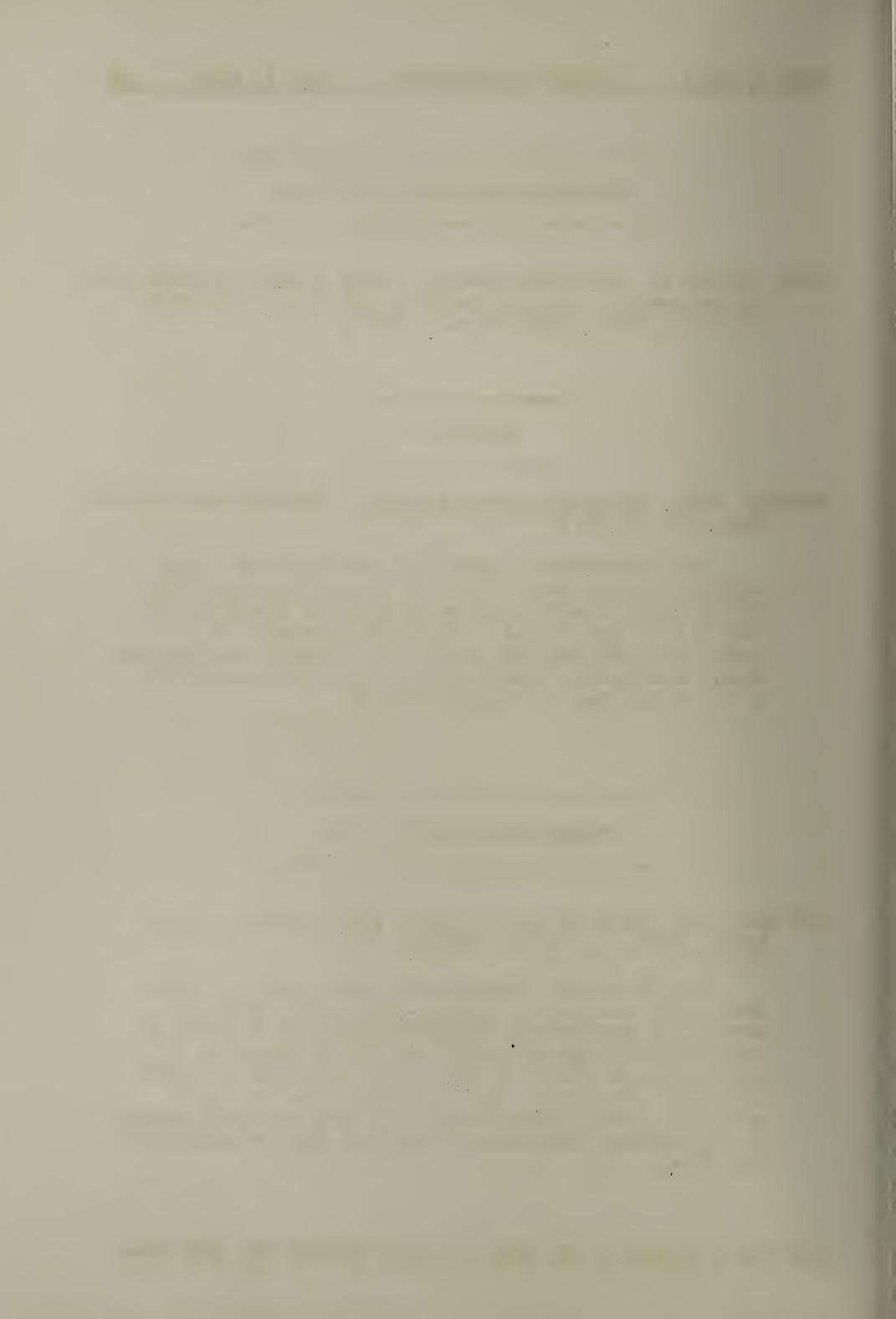
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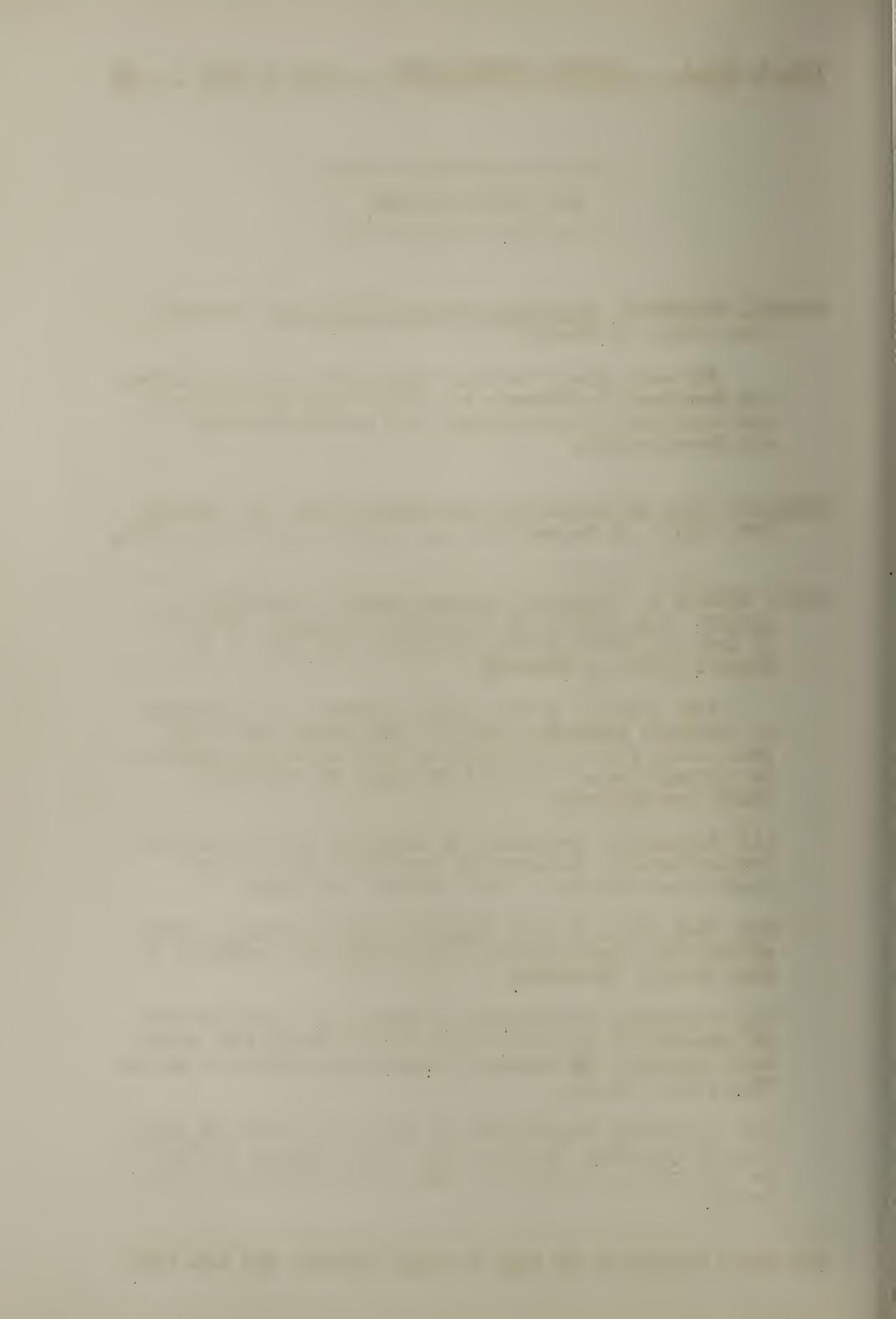
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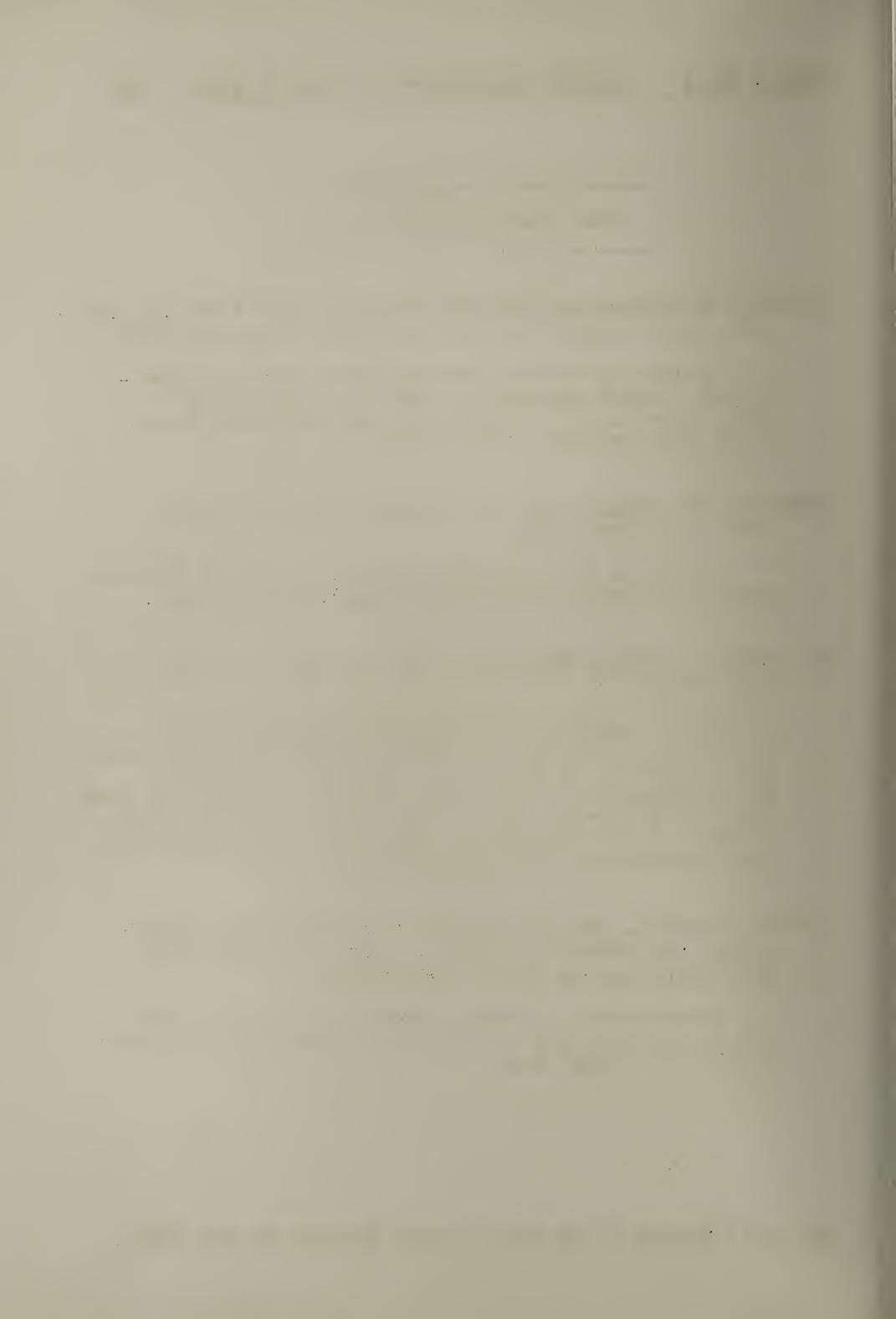
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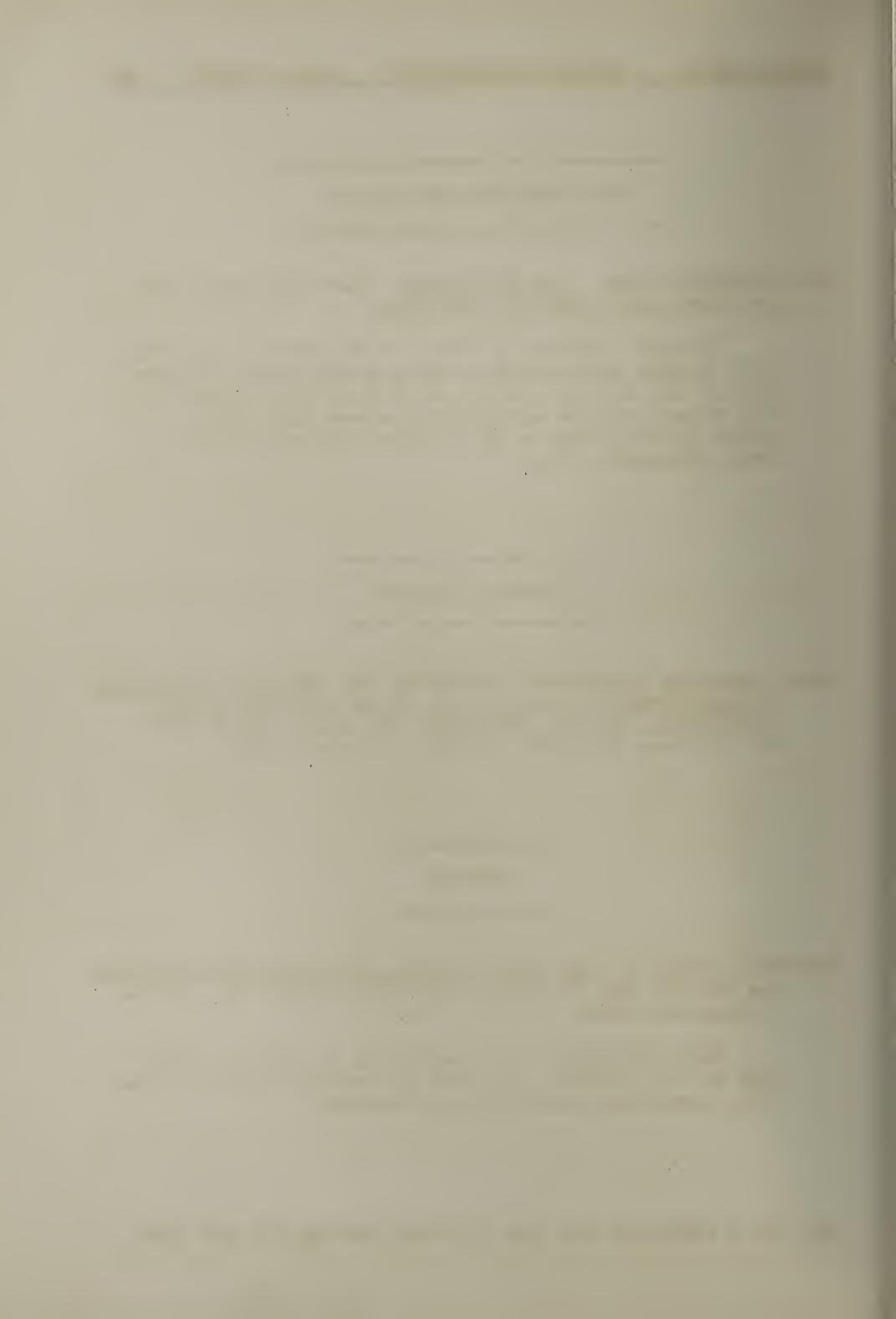
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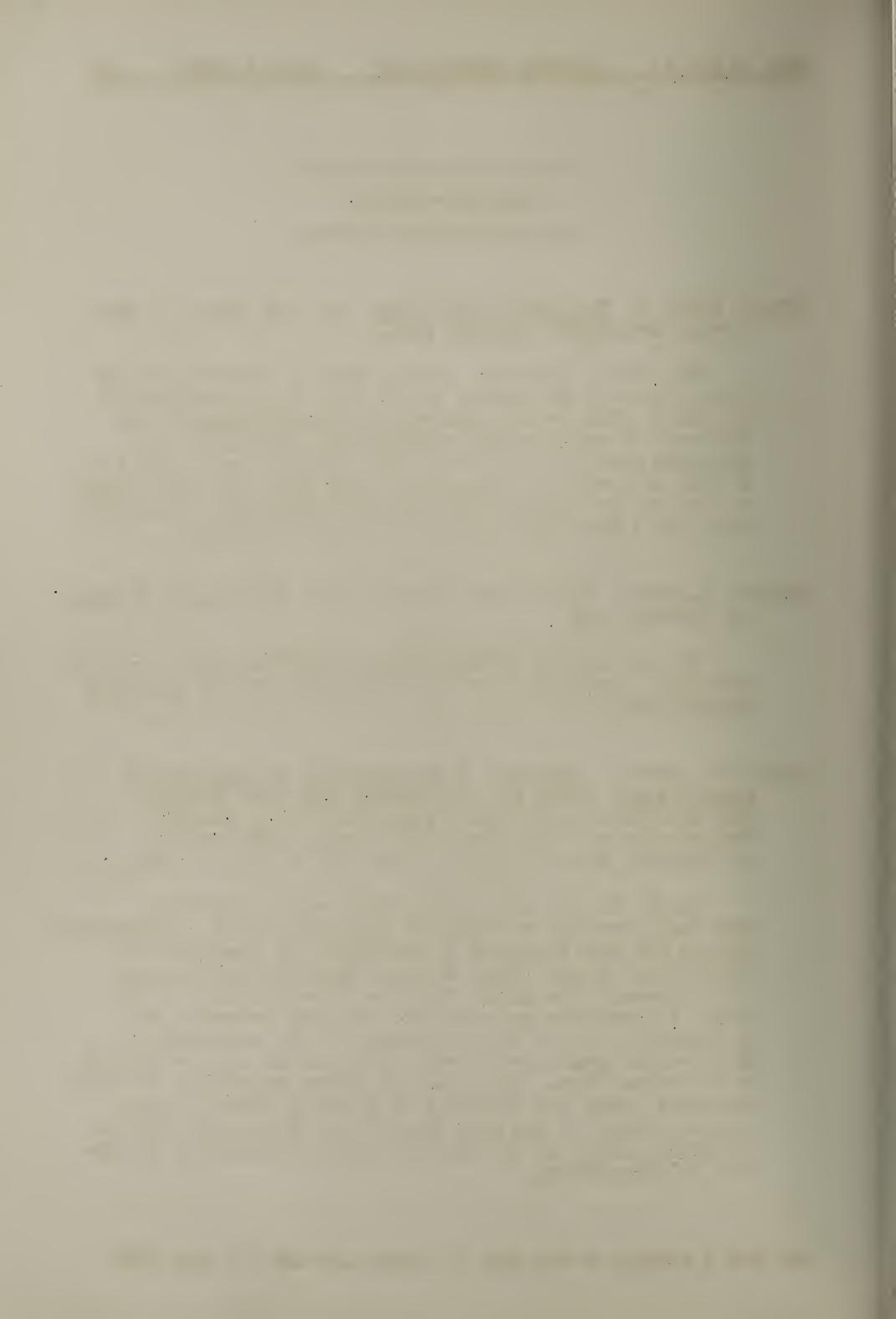
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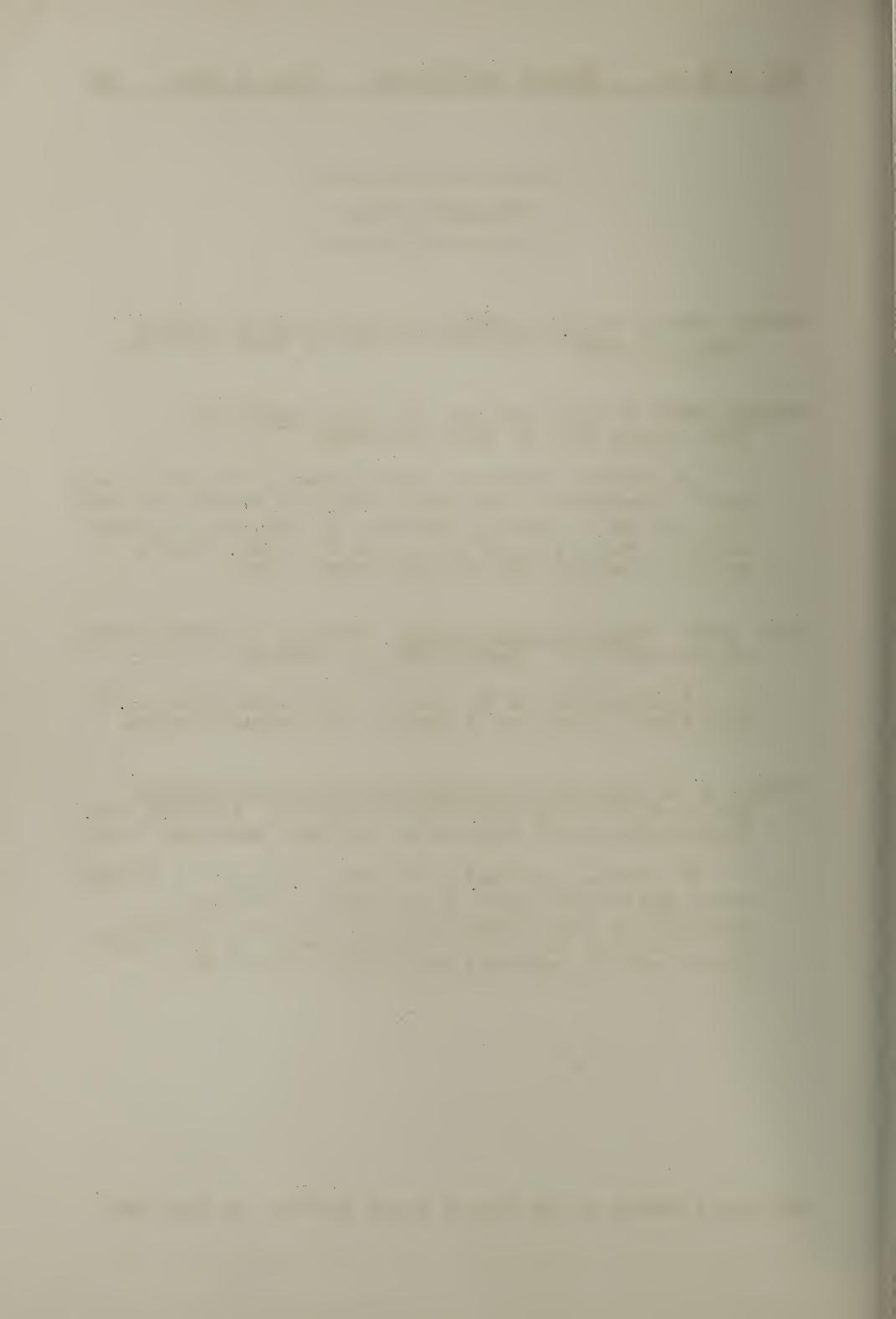
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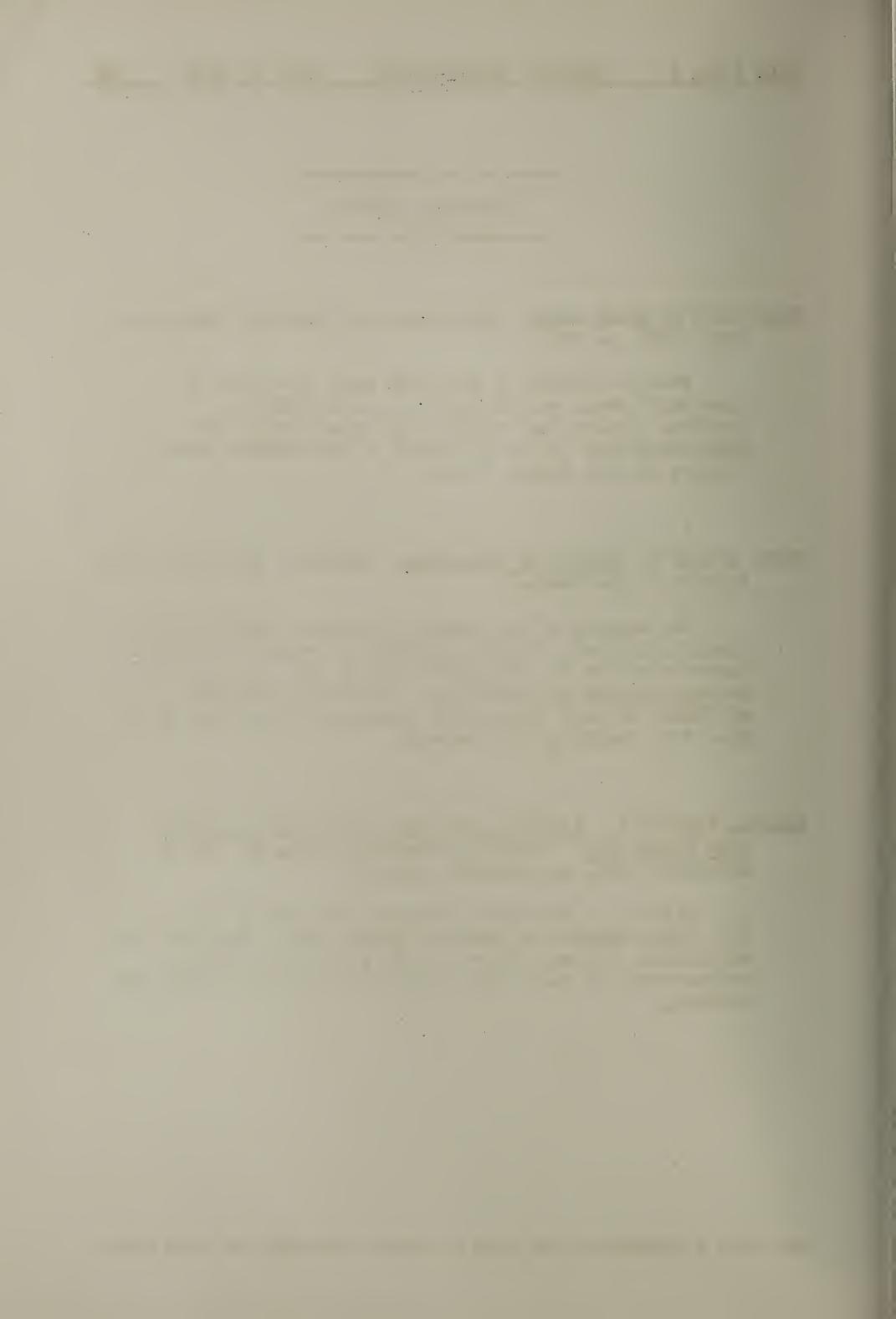
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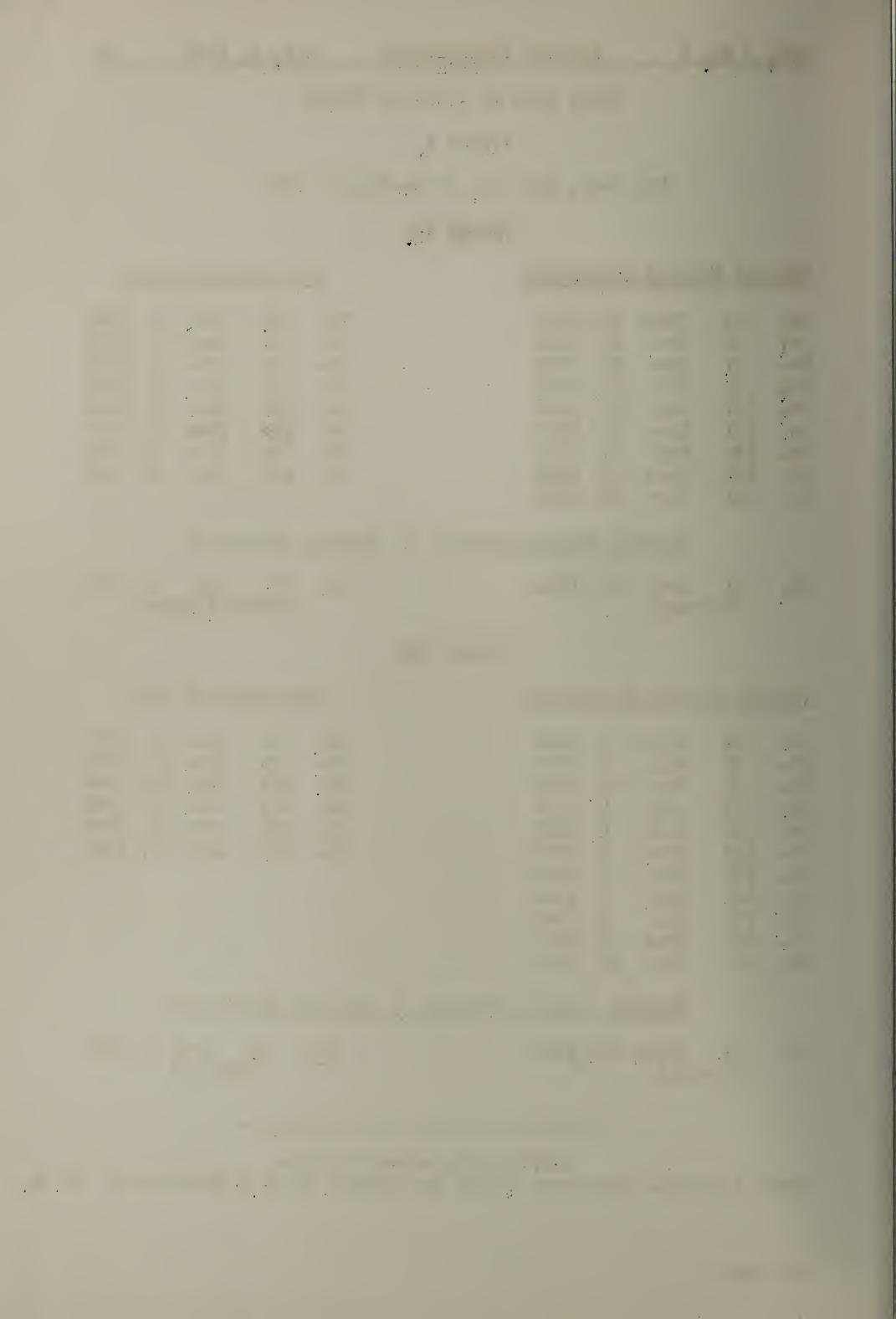
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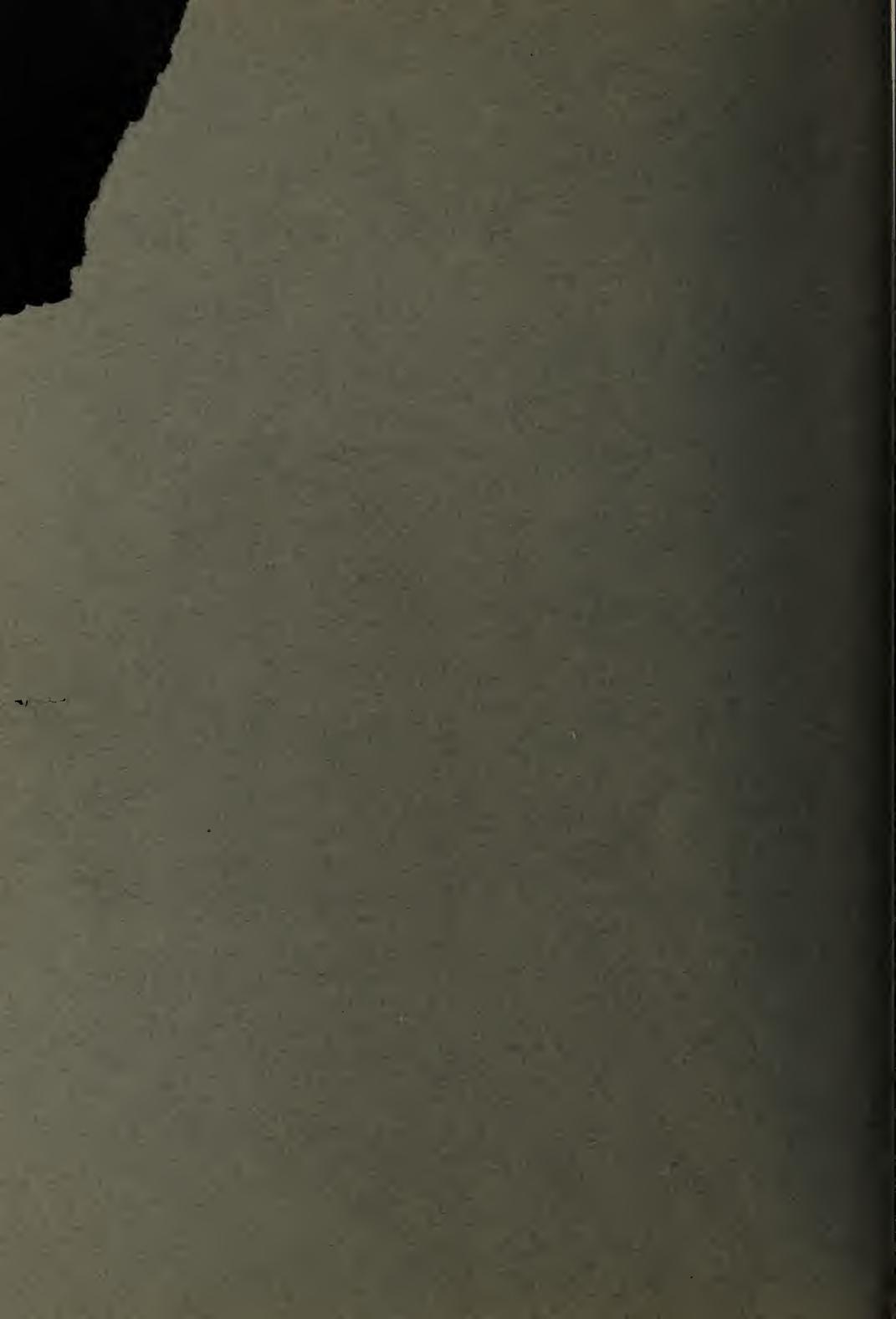
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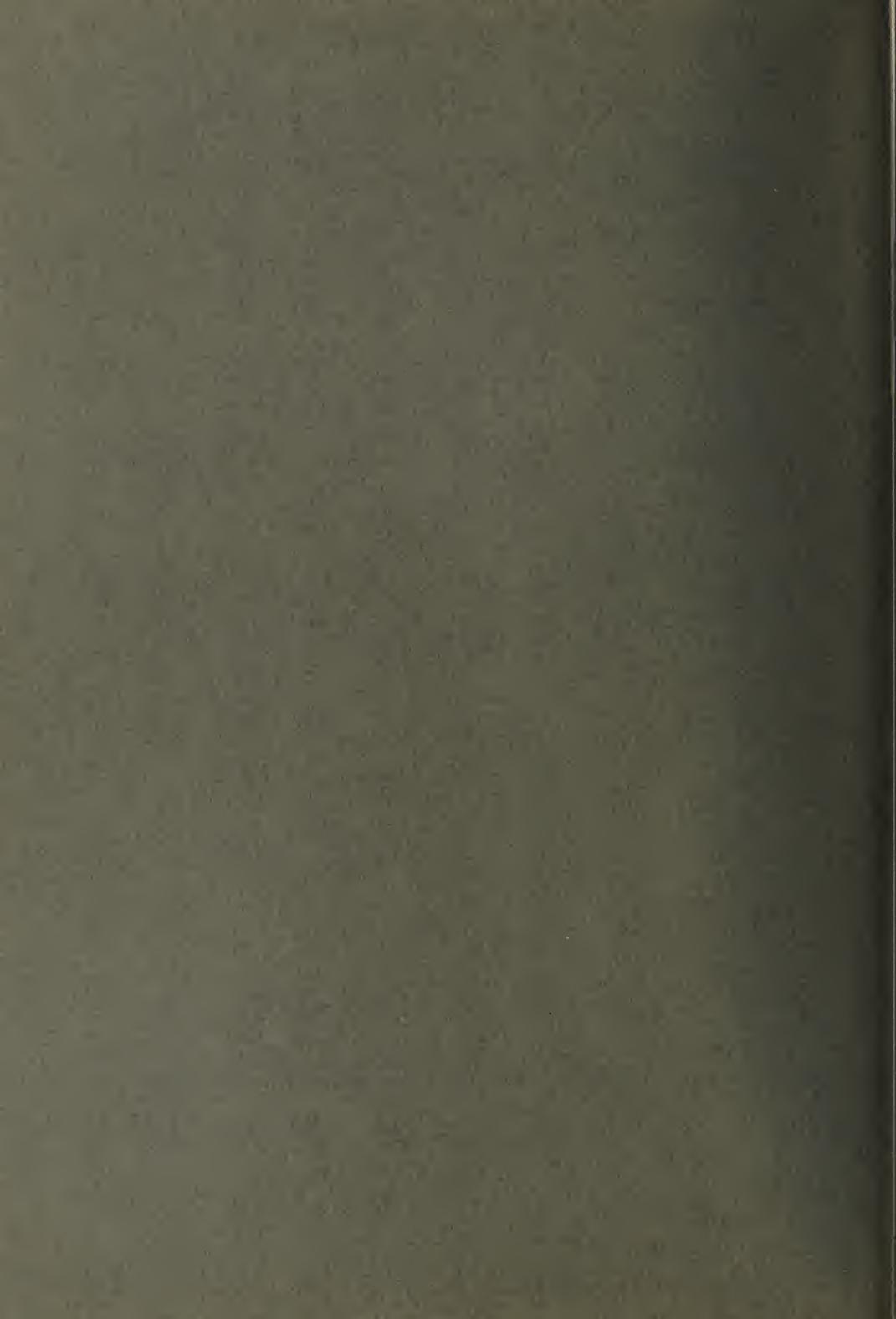
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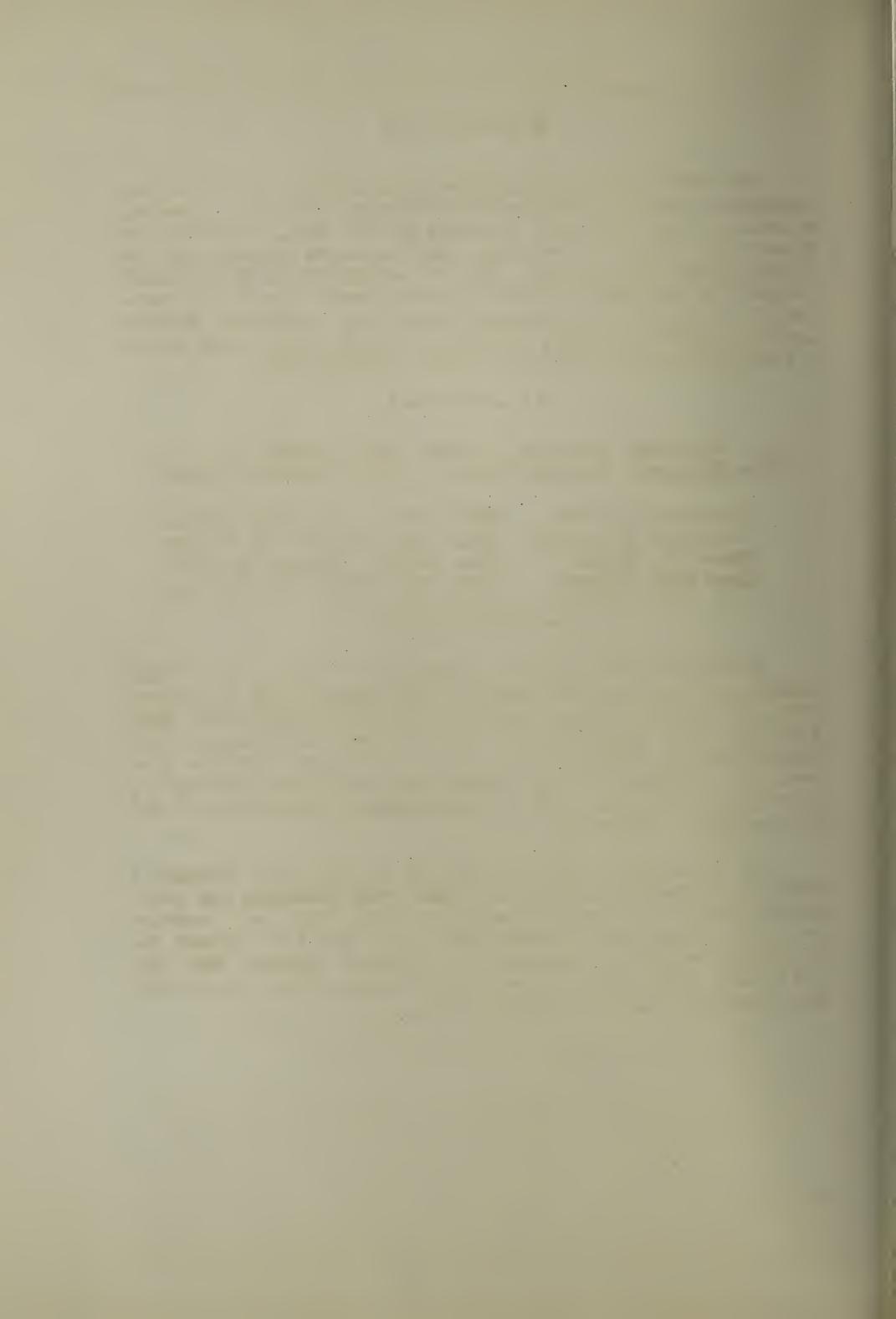
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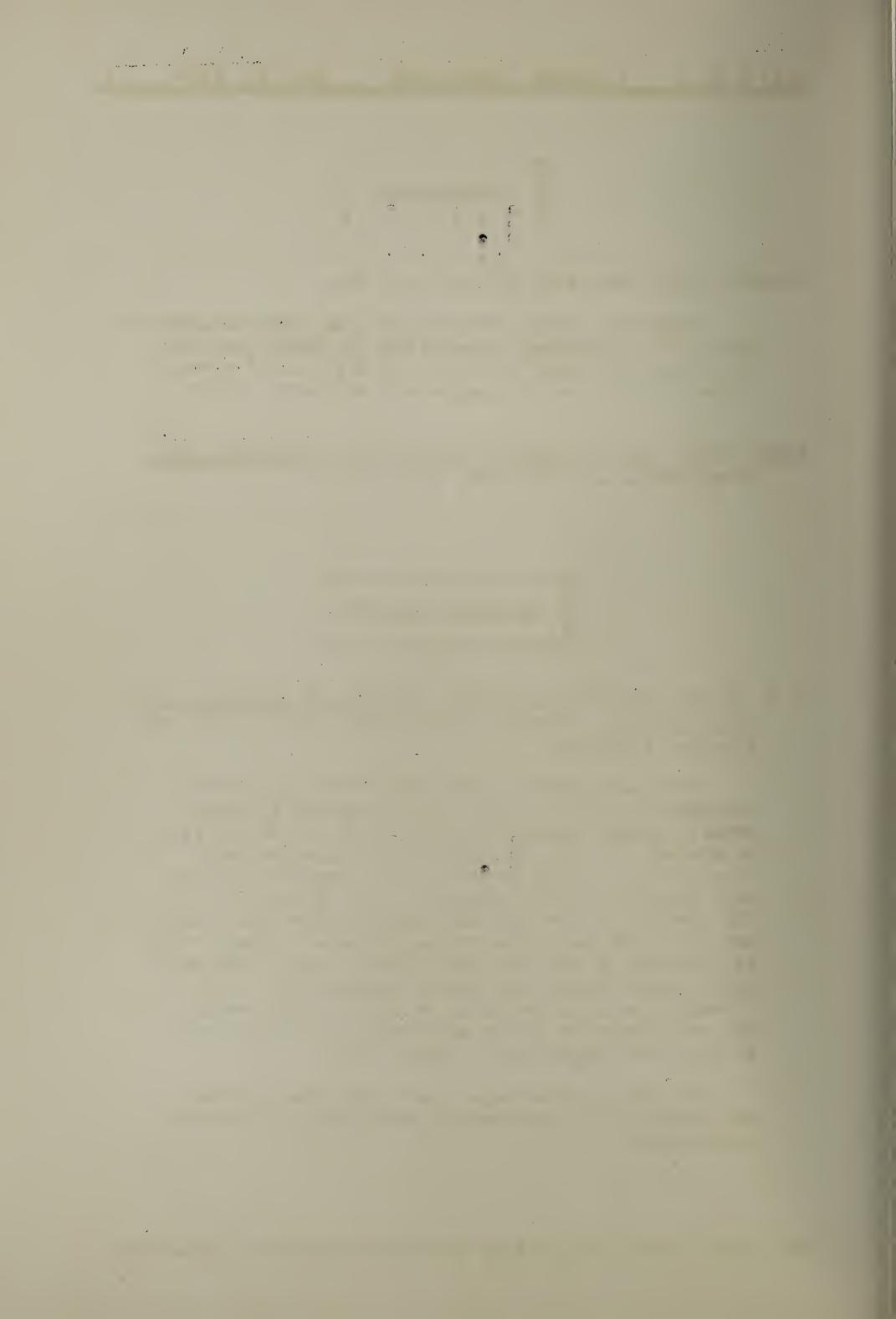
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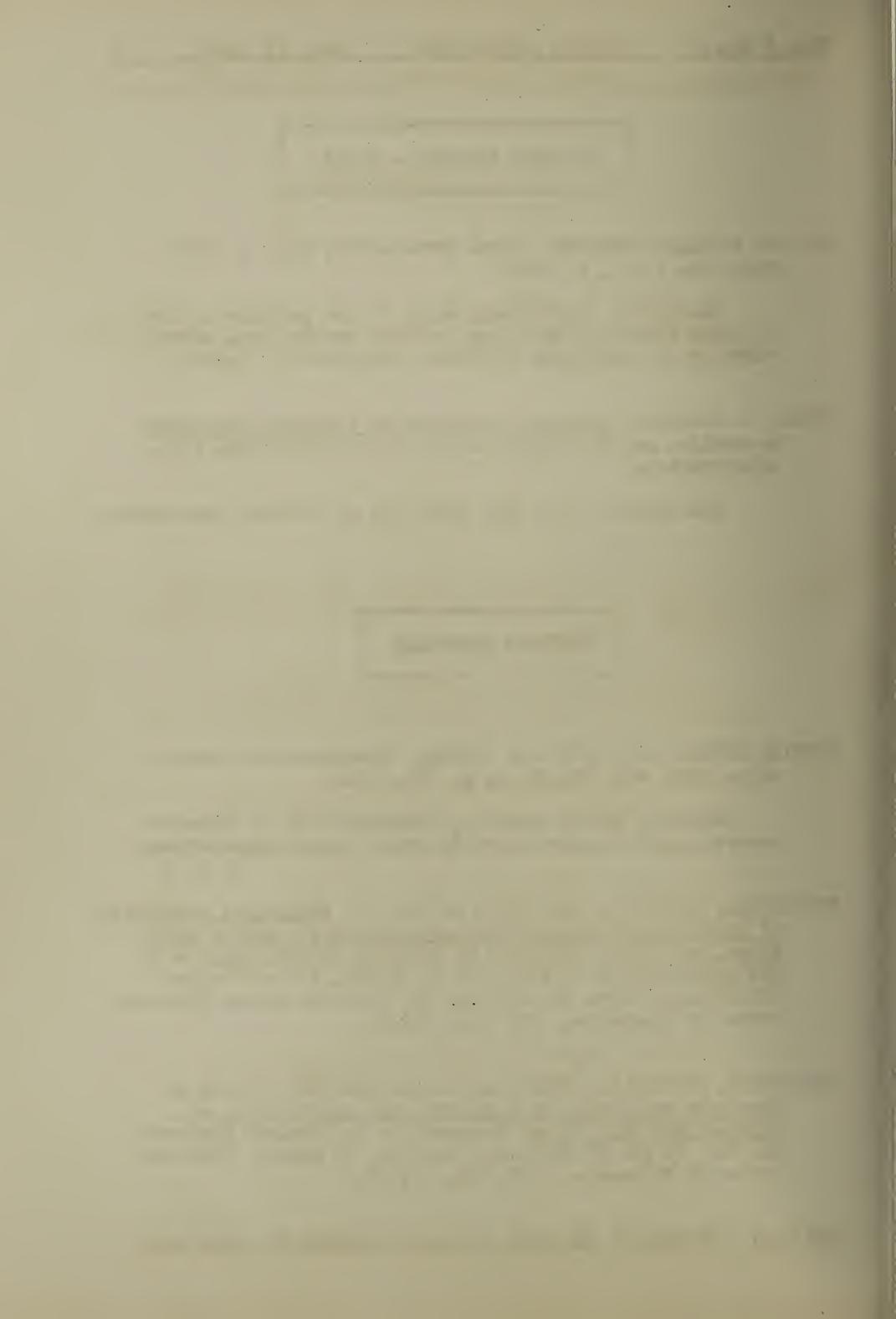
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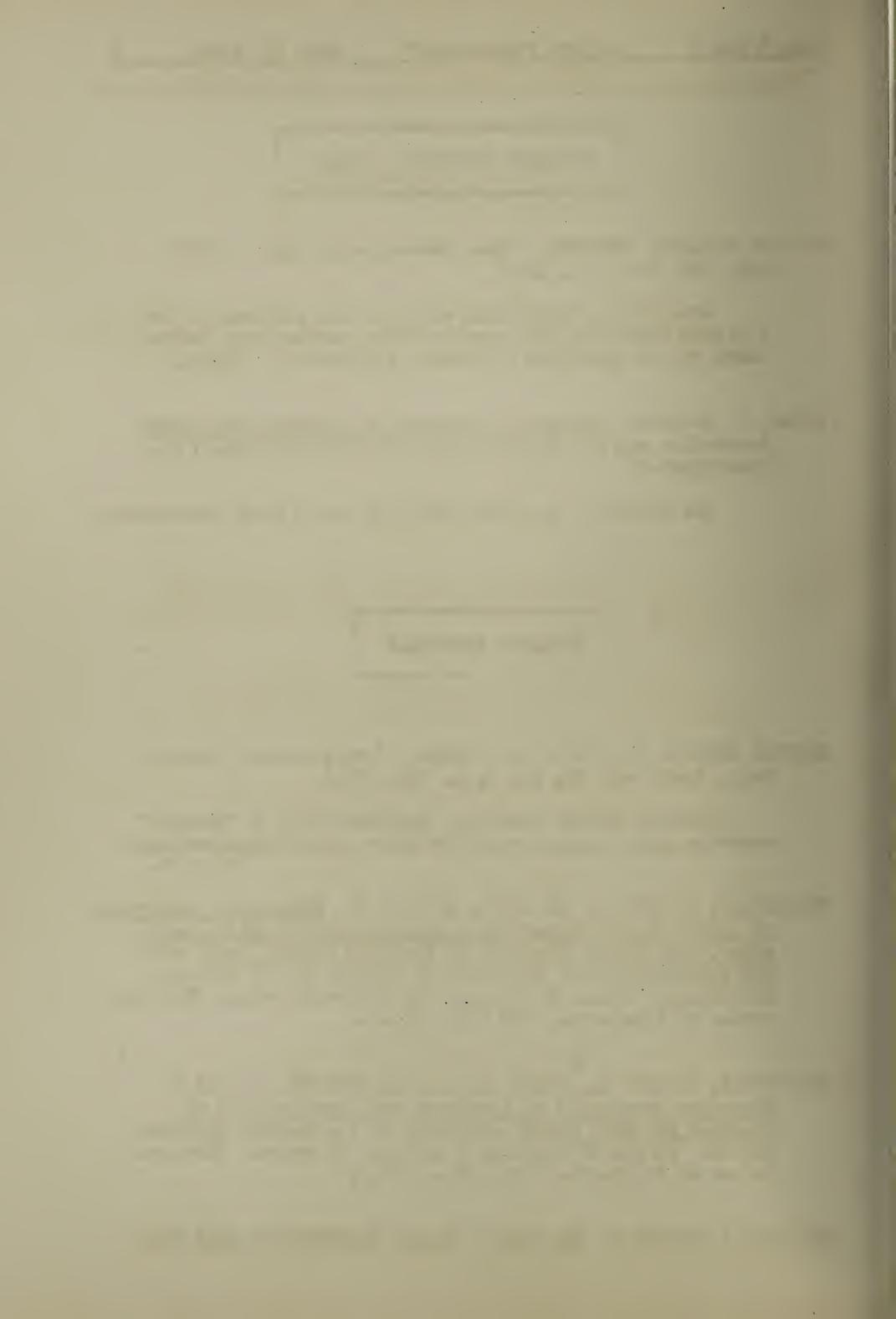
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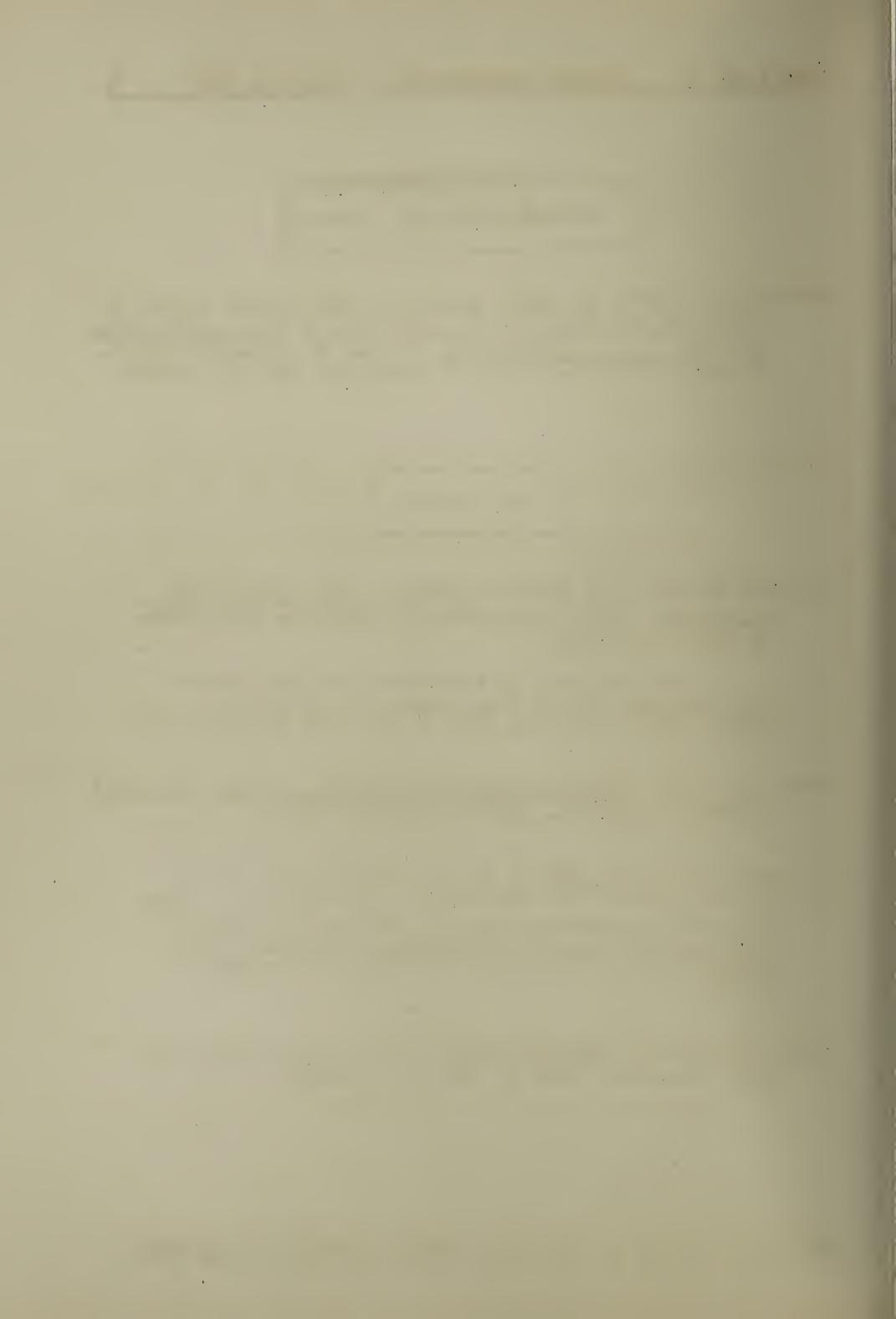
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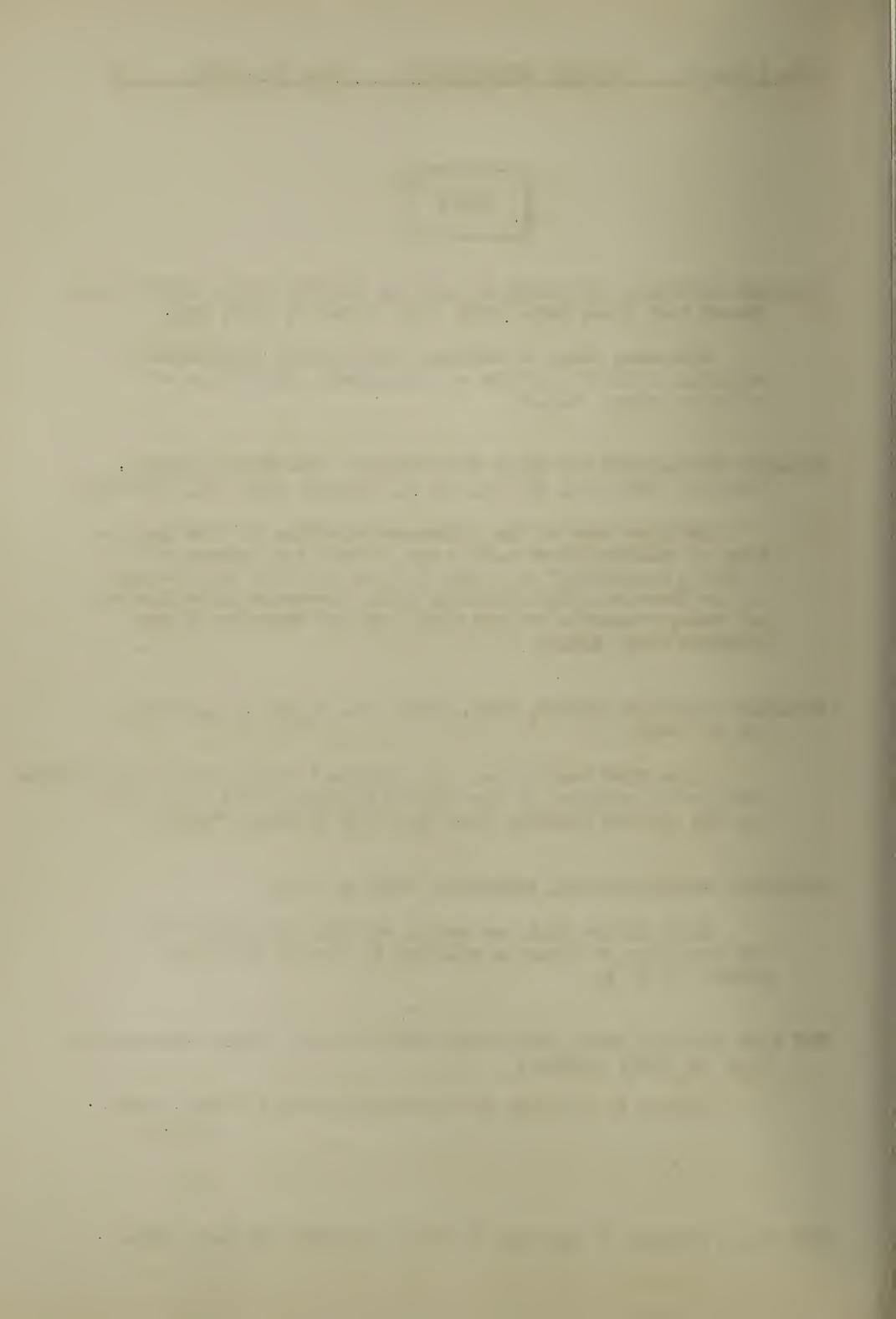
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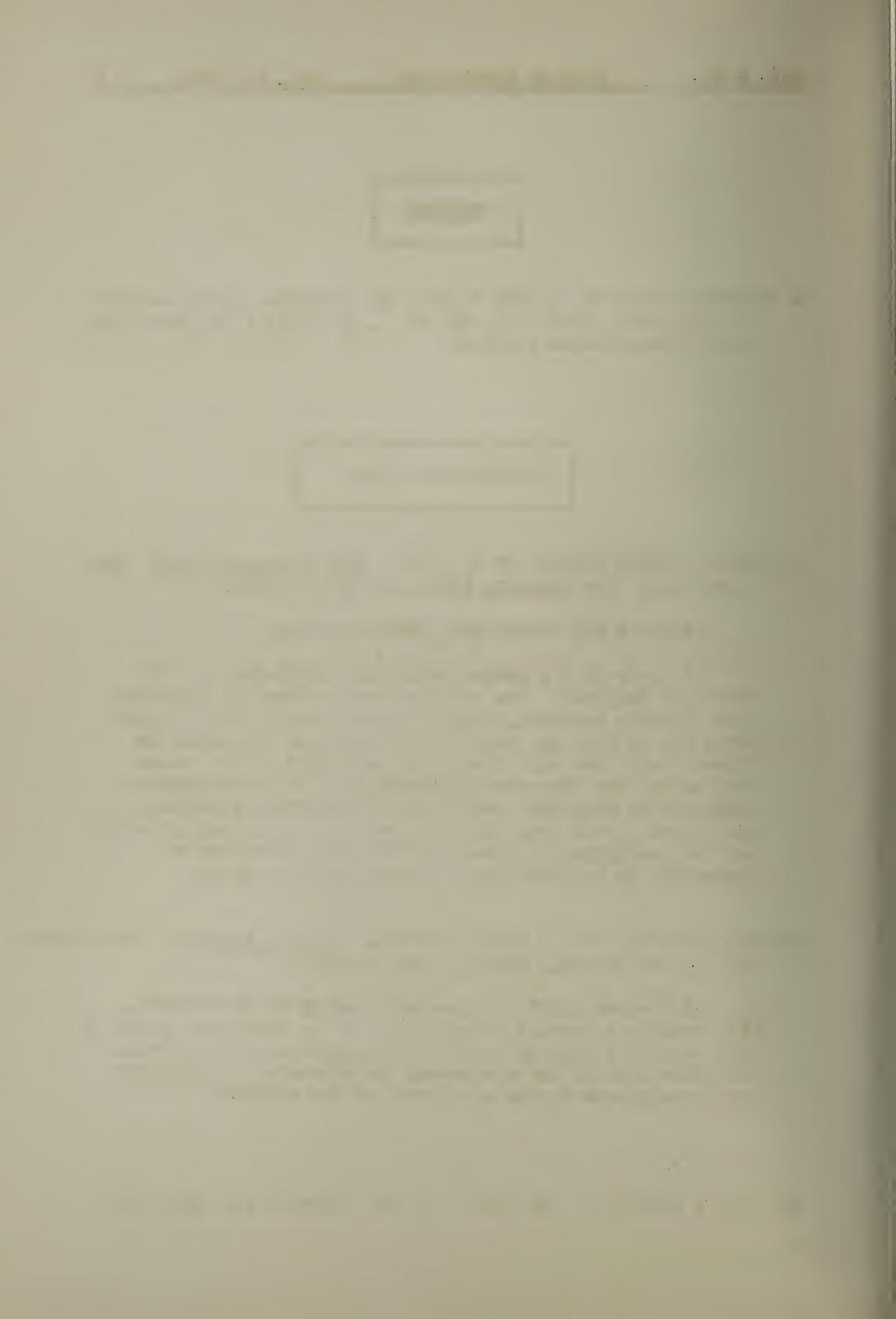
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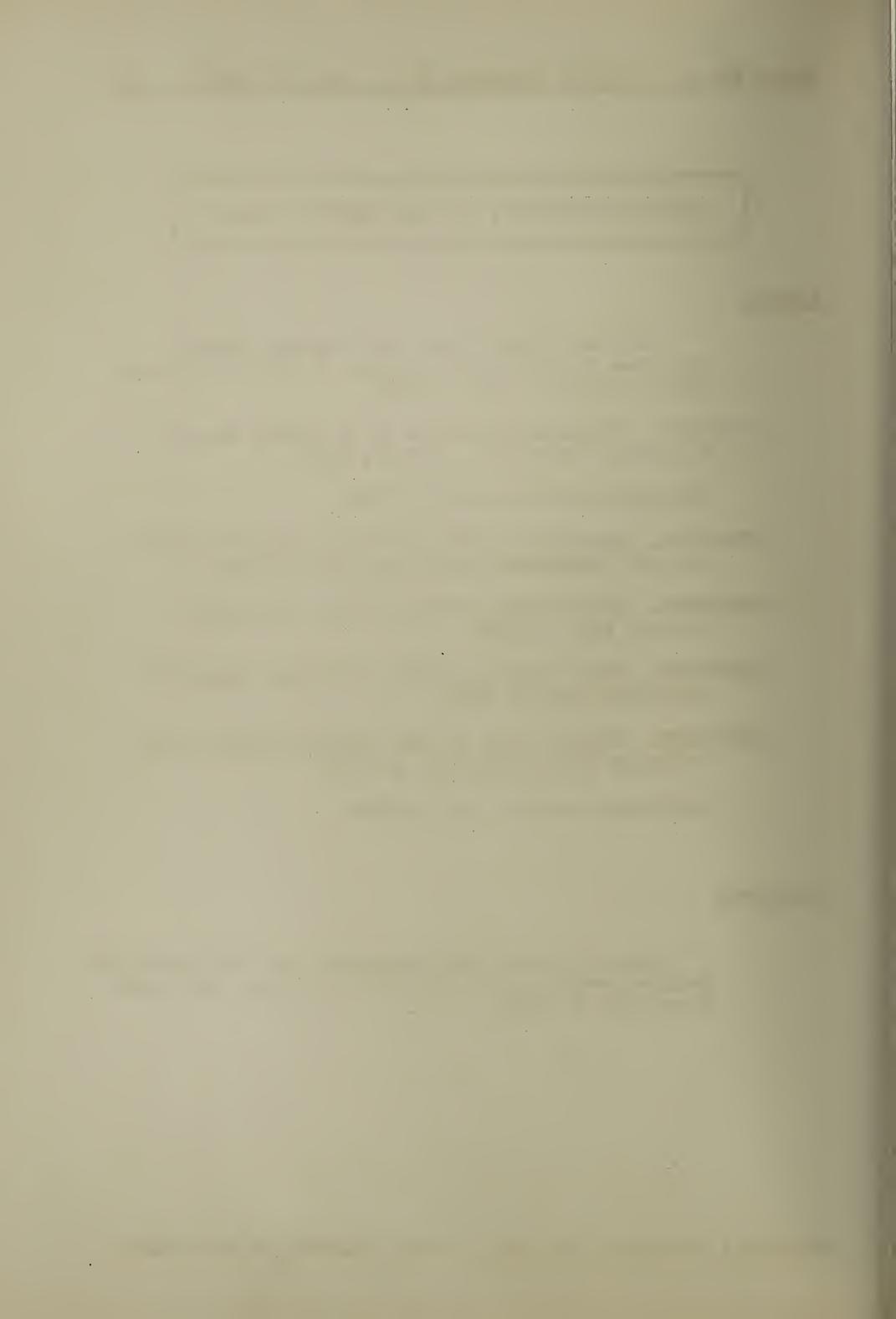
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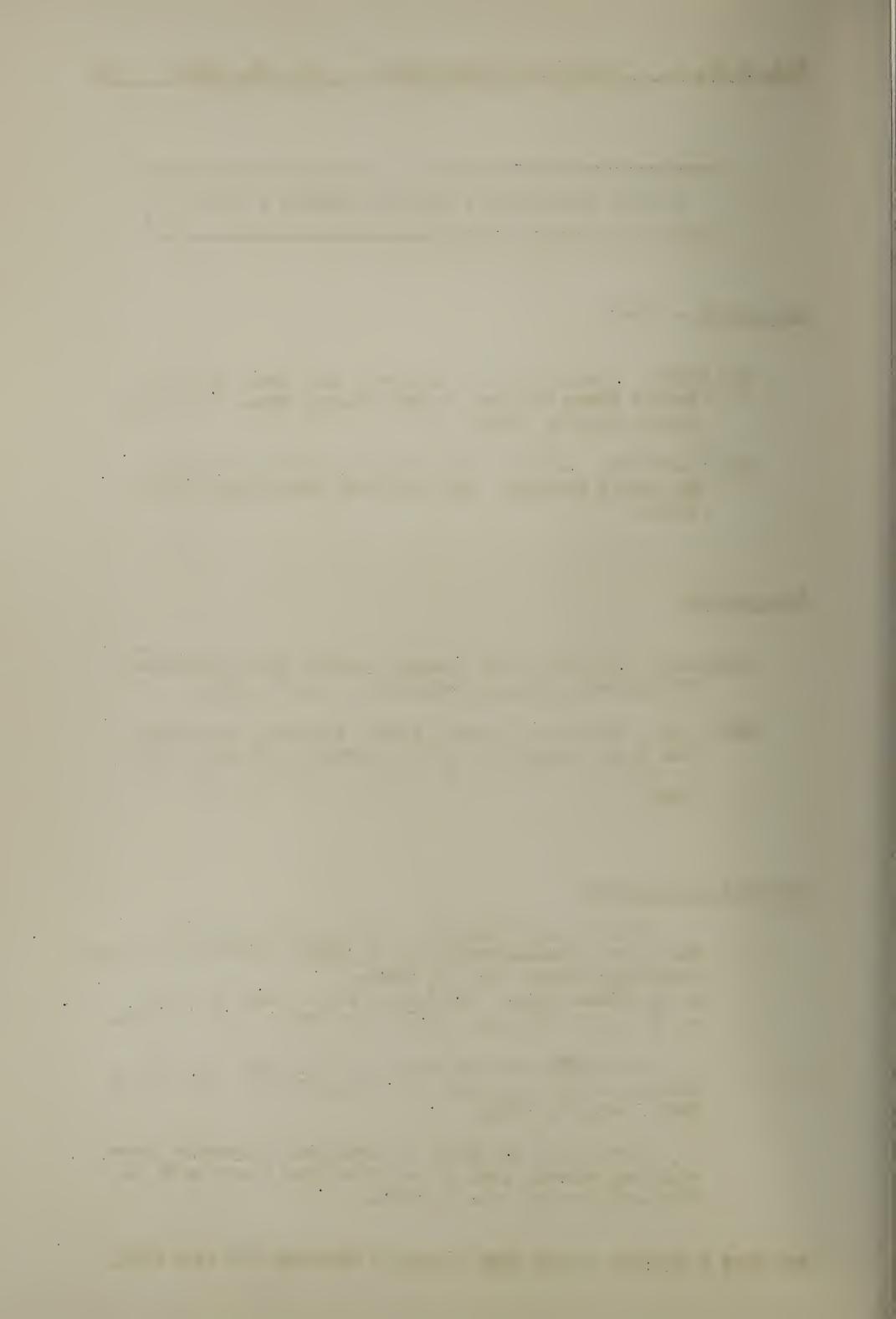
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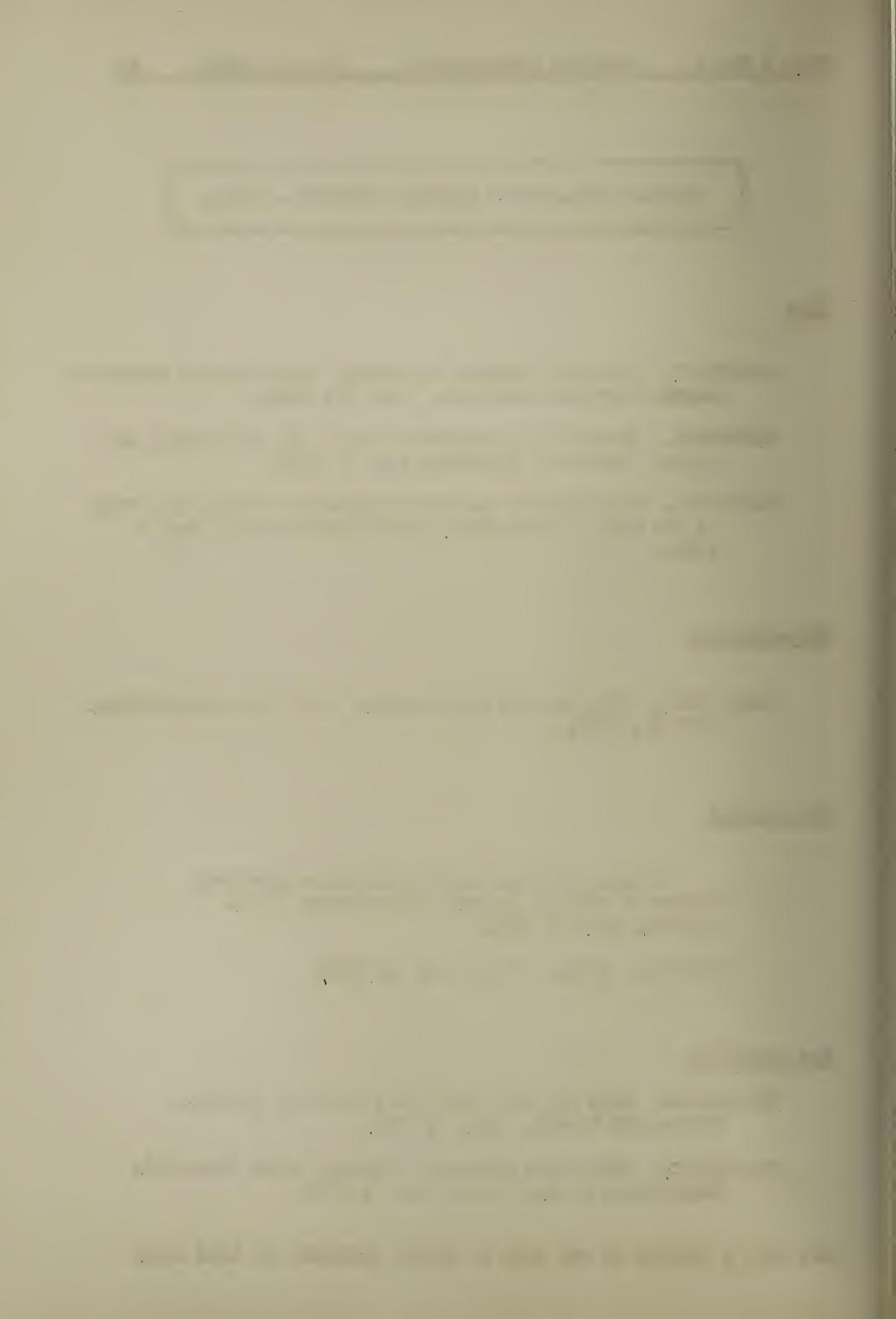
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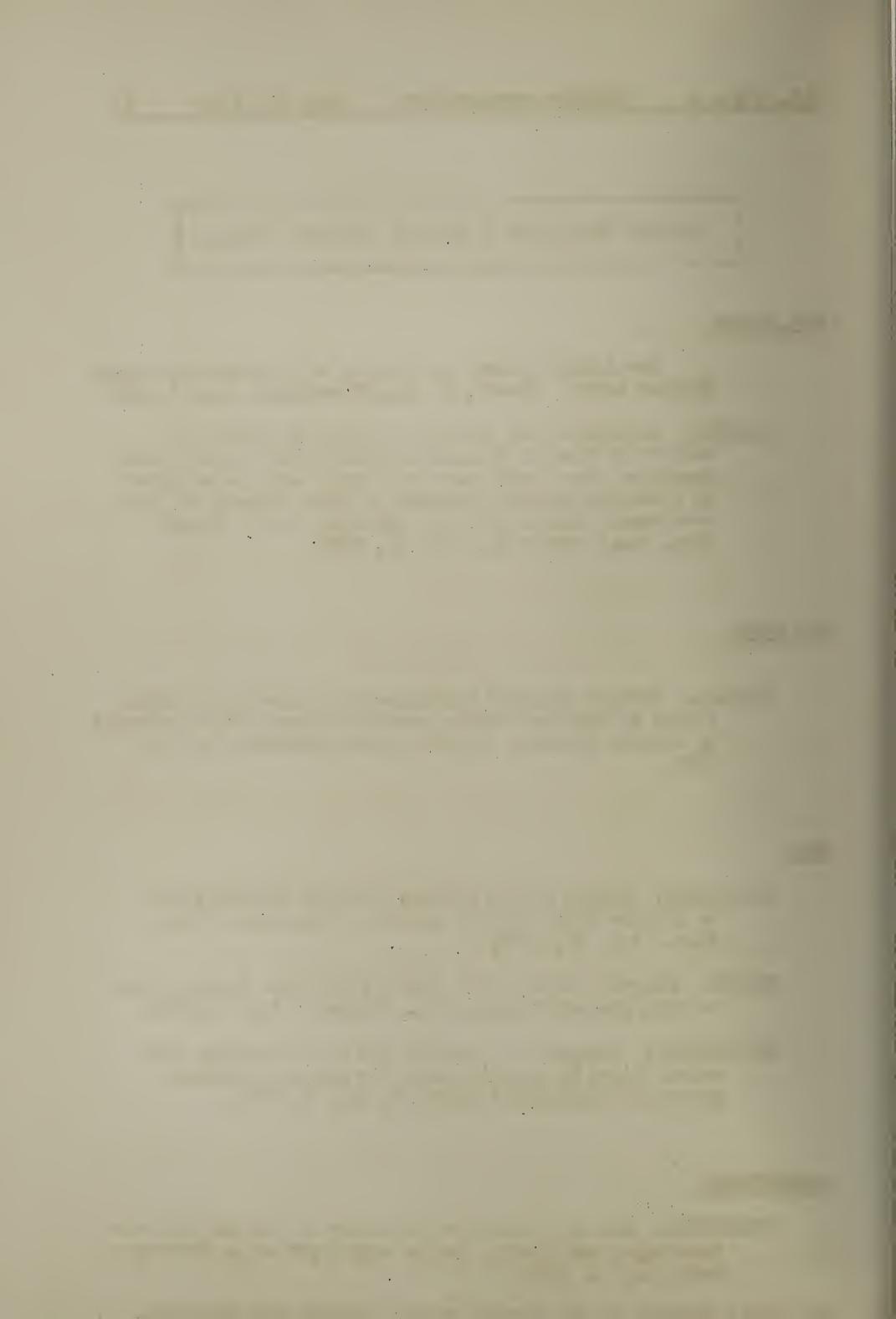
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NORFOLK. Housing Authority asks \$4,000,000 for 1,000 units Rear Adm. Joseph K. Taussig tells newly created body need is urgent. Norfolk Virginian-Pilot, Aug. 2, 1940.

NORFOLK. Government may take over housing projects for defense personnel. Norfolk Virginian-Pilot, Aug. 4, 1940.

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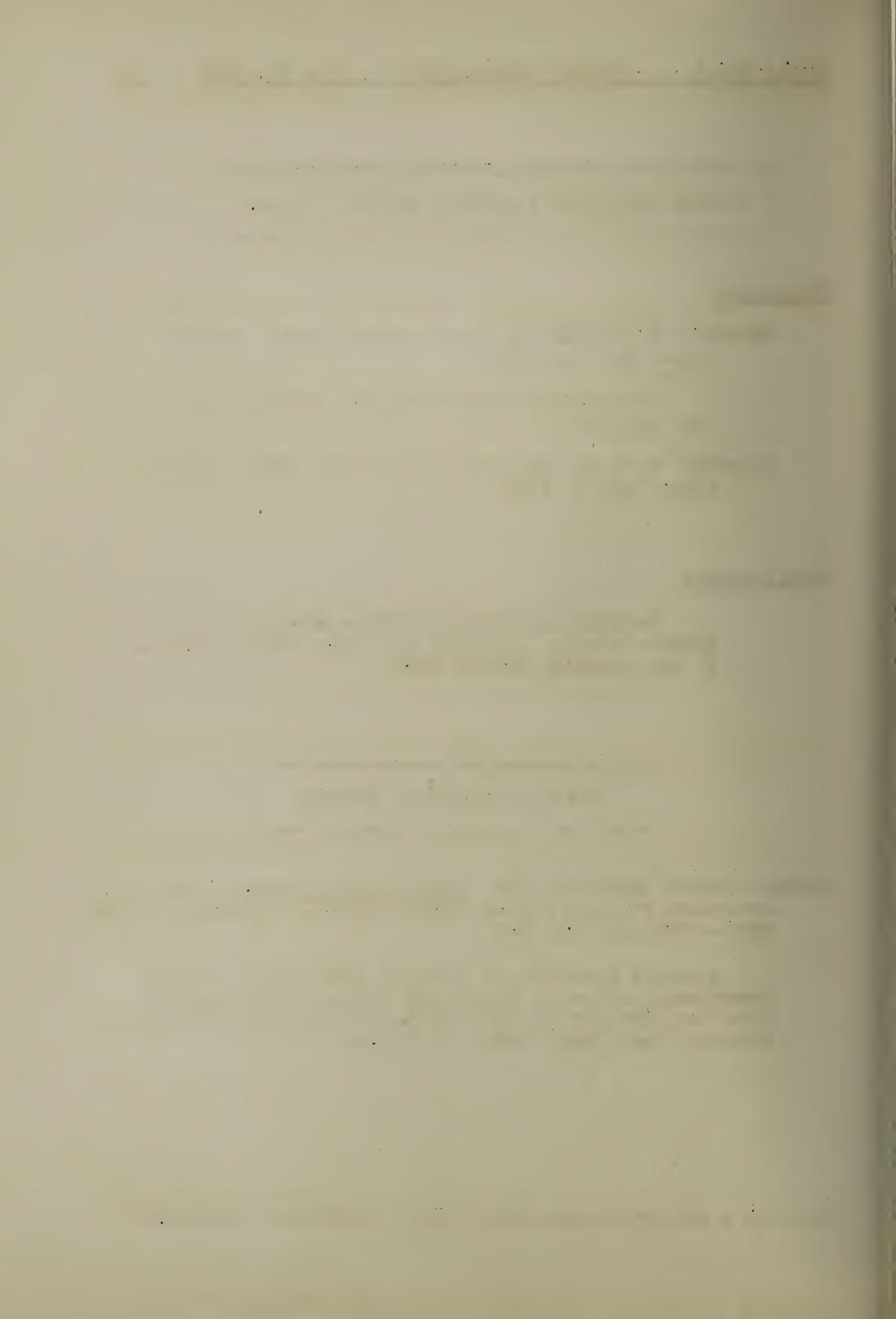
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Realtors and builders discuss effects of defense housing. By Edith L. Graham. Charleston. W. Va., Gazette, Aug. 4, 1940.

#### HOUSING OPERATIONS - PRIVATE

FEDERAL HOUSING ADMINISTRATION. Rental housing manual. Washington: Government Printing Office, 1940. 3 p. 1., unpaged; paragraphs 1101 - 3363, and app. A-B.

Appendix A consists of texts of model forms of legal instruments for use in large scale rental housing projects under sec. 207 National Housing Act, and appendix B similar forms for small scale housing projects.



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TARRY, ELLEN. Living in Harlem. (Commonweal. Sept. 27, 1940, p. 462.)

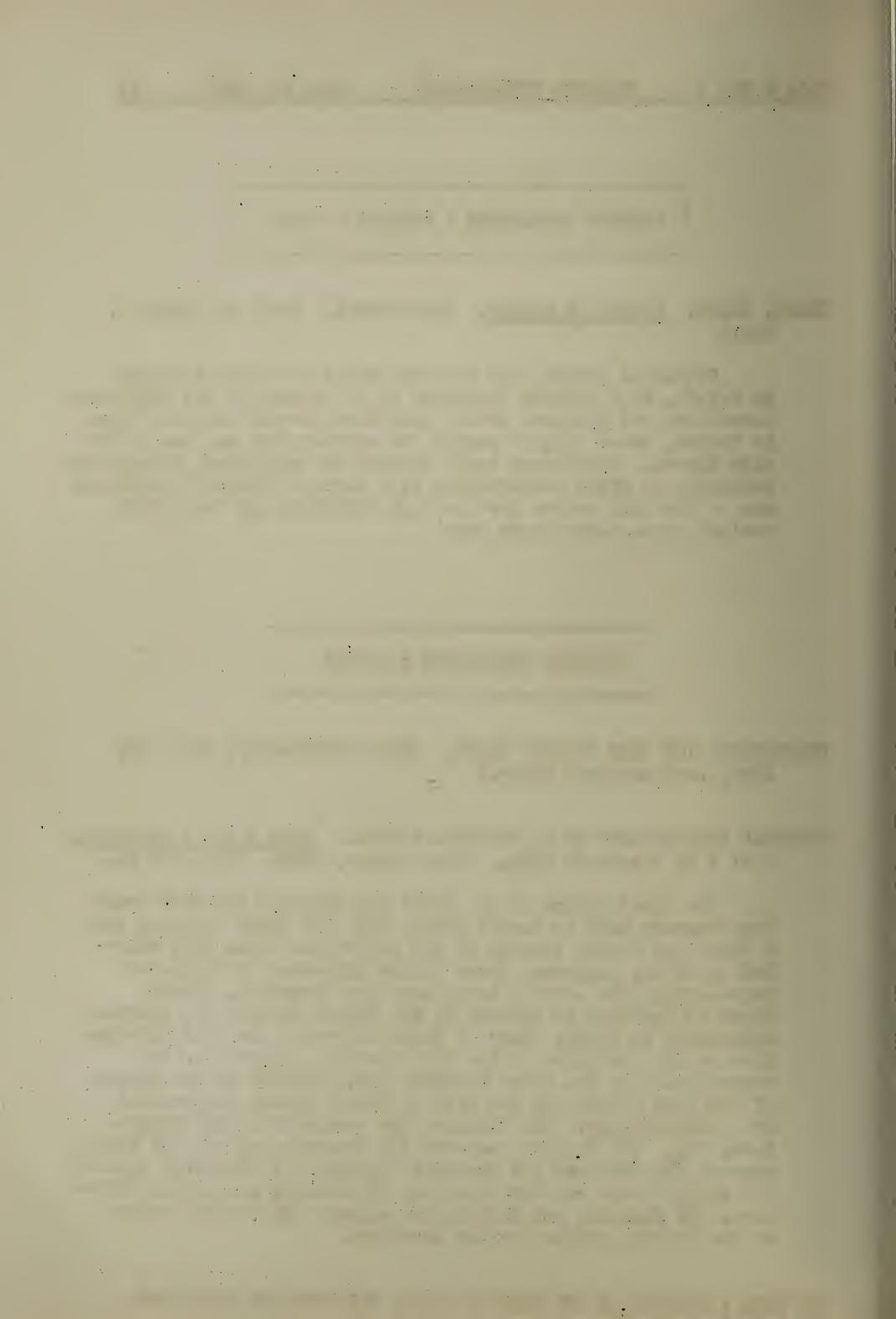
Citing an actual case from the files of a social agency in N.Y.C., this article describes it as typical of the deplorably unsanitary and subhuman living conditions forced upon the Negro in Harlem, where 250,000 people are crowded into an area of 203 city blocks. Exorbitant rents charged for neglected, dilapidated tenements in which overcrowding is a serious problem, constitute one of the main causes for the high mortality and immorality ratings given Harlem each year

HOUSING OPERATIONS : PUBLIC

CHATTANOOGA LOW COST HOUSING PLANS. (Dixie Contractor, Sept. 18, 1940, Architectural Issue.)

CONGRESO PANAMERICANO DE LA VIVIENDA POPULAR. Tomo 1 Act y trabajos. 2 al 7 de Octubrede 1939. Buenos Aires, 1940. viii, 810 pp.

The first volume of the first Pan American Low Cost Housing Congress held in Buenos Aires, Oct. 2-7 1939. Opening with a brief but useful summary of the activities since 1933 which led up to the Congress, there follow addresses of delegates representing the several Latin American countries. Among these is included an address by Mr. Claude Bowers, the American ambassador in Chile. Many of these addresses are most informative on the economics of low cost housing. Notable is the contribution by Dr. Pedro Escudero (pp. 117-174) on the status of low cost housing in the city of Buenos Aires, accompanied by a bibliography. The Congress was composed of nine committees, viz. (1) Economic aspect; (2) Hygienic aspect; (3) Social aspect; (4) Urbanism and low-cost housing; (5) Financial aspect; (6) Architecture and Construction; (7) Housing and public education; (8) Judicial and Legislative aspect; (9) General status of the housing problem in the Americas.



HOUSING OPERATIONS : PUBLIC - Contd.

Each of these committees held separate sessions of from 3 to 4 days each, the proceedings being fully reported. An exceptionally useful feature for the North American student desiring fuller acquaintance with the housing literature of Latin America is the list (pp. 737-781) of printed materials displayed by each of the nine committees.

IHLDER, JOHN. Housing—the physical framework of democracy. 1940 10 pp. mimeographed.

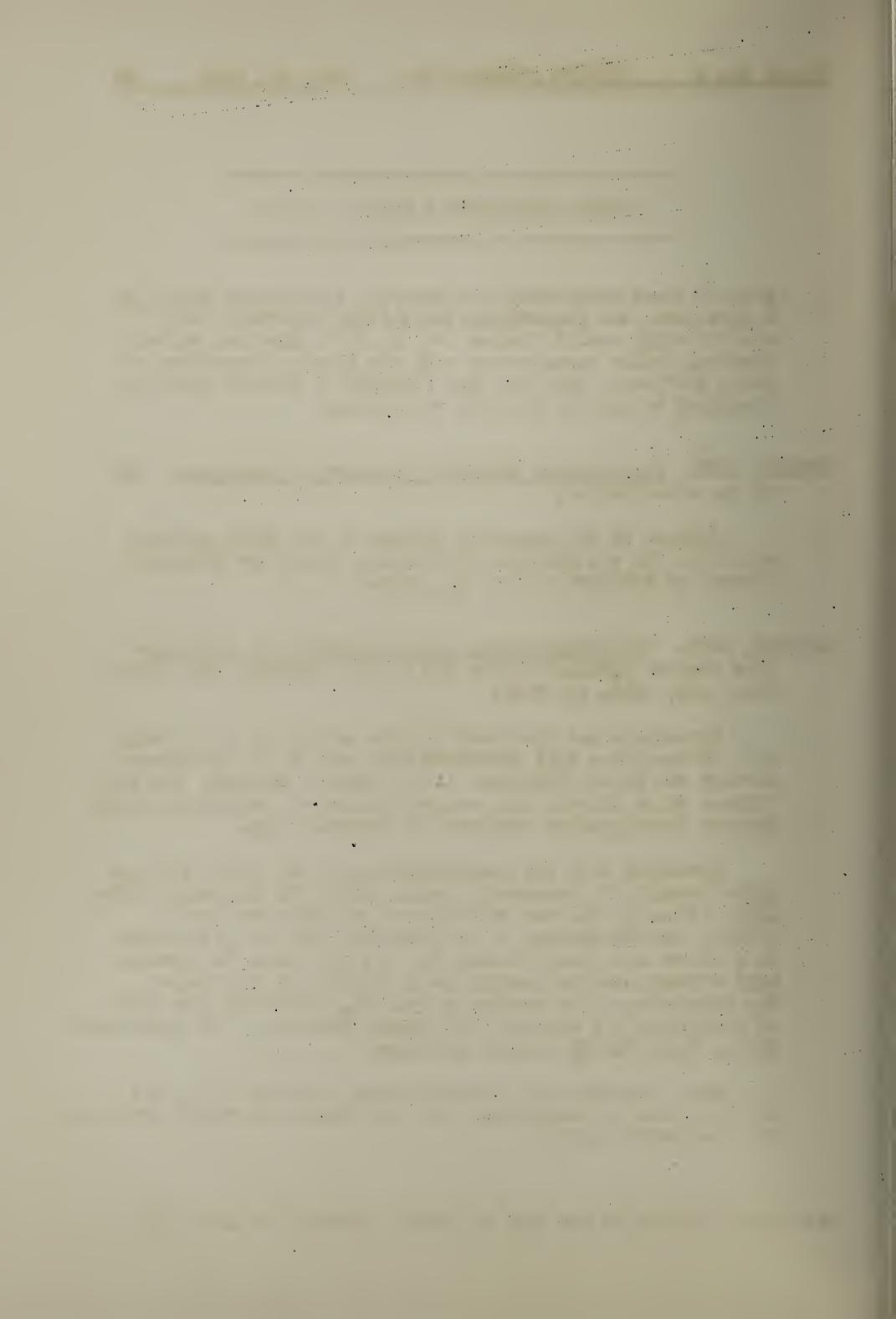
Address by the Executive Officer of the Alley Dwelling Authority for the District of Columbia before the Citizens' Council of New York on Oct. 14, 1940.

LARSSON, ERIK. "Bostadsmarknaden under granskning av Riksdagen" (The Swedish Riksdag Reviews the Housing Market), (Vår Bostad, June 1-15, 1940, pp. 7-9.)

Summarized and discussed in this article is the housing bill (Proposition 237) presented this year by the government through the Social Depatment to the Swedish Riksdag. The bill follows quite closely the recommendations of the Report of the Housing Investigation submitted in December 1939.

Presented with the recommendations of the bill is a complete account of government housing policy for the years 1933-1939. Although the war crisis plays an important part in housing considerations, it is noteworthy that it is proposed to continue and extend especially in rural areas the government subventions for housing large families of low income. The expansion of the subsidy program is, of course, one means of combatting the expected and feared (because of the experience during World War I) housing shortage.

Also discussed are tertiary loans, interest rates, the marriage rate in conjunction with the reserve of vacant dwellings, and real estate taxes.



HOUSING OPERATIONS: PUBLIC - Contd.

NEW YORK CITY HOUSING AUTHORITY: Status of city housing projects. (Brooklyn Realty Magazine. Sept. 1940, p. 7.)

INSURANCE

HOME INSURANCE CO. 59 Maiden Lane, New York City. Bulletin No. 9 Water damage insurance, 1940. Summary in Real Estate and Building Management Digest. Sept., 1940, p. 11.

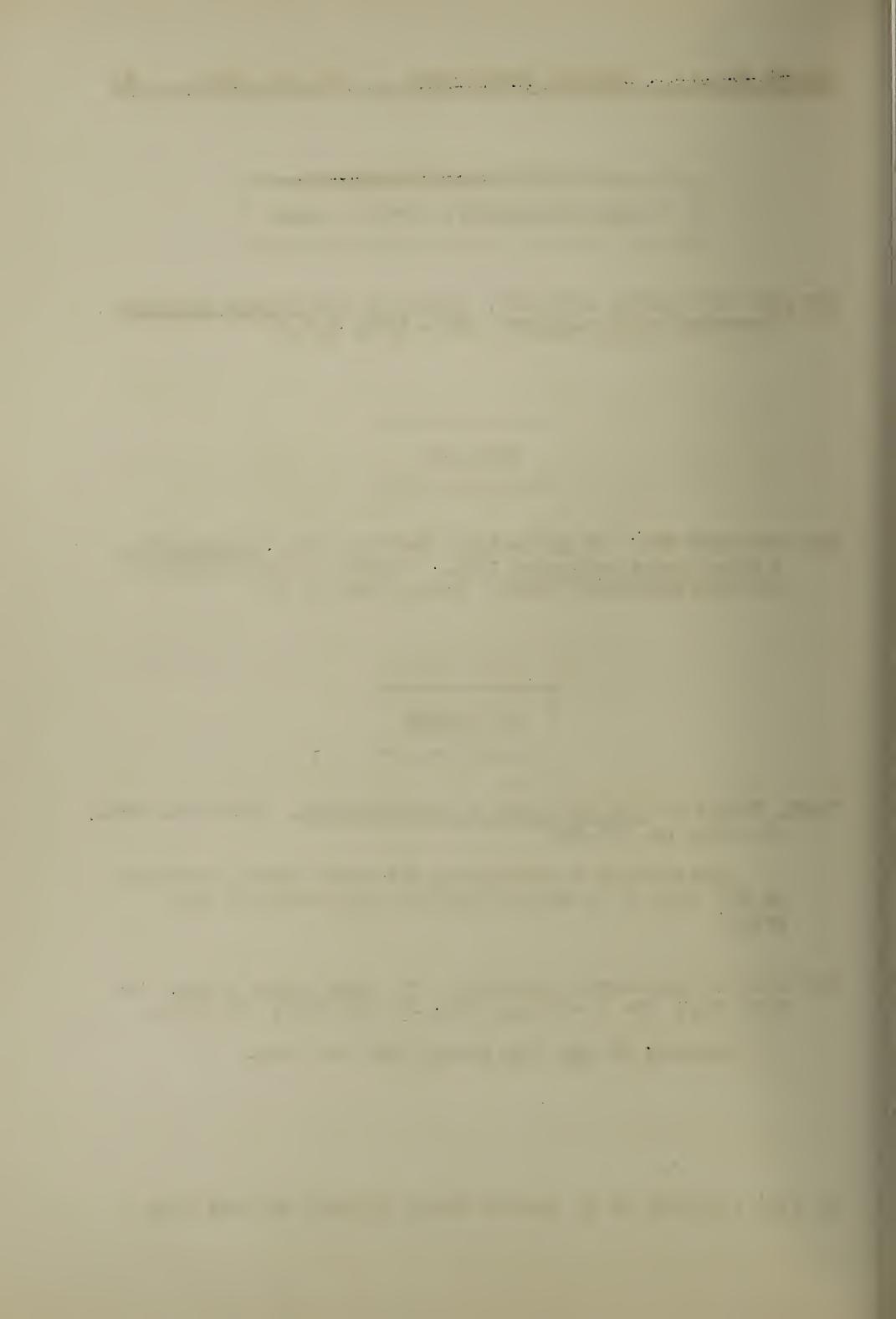
REAL ESTATE

CLARK, THOMAS J. The old house in today's market. (Freehold. Sept. 15, 1940, pp. 189-90.)

Advisability of modernizing old houses before attempting to sell them or of selling them as is at a somewhat lower price.

INSTITUTE OF REAL ESTATE MANAGEMENT, INC. Real estate forms. New York City: The Institute, 1940. 46 pp. illus. 50 cents.

Address: 54 East 13th Street, New York City.



REAL ESTATE - Contd.

MCMICHAEL, STANLEY L. Selling real estate. New York: Prentice-Hall, Inc., 1940. rev. ed. xi, 507 pp. \$3.75.

Suitable in every way for text use. Nine new chapters have been added and others have been revised and expanded. Fundamental principles are outlined in the first four chapters. There appears on the scene a neophyte salesman. Who is steered through a course of selling under experienced salesmen. There are also many tables necessary to every realtor. An exceedingly detailed index makes the contents of the volume unusually available.

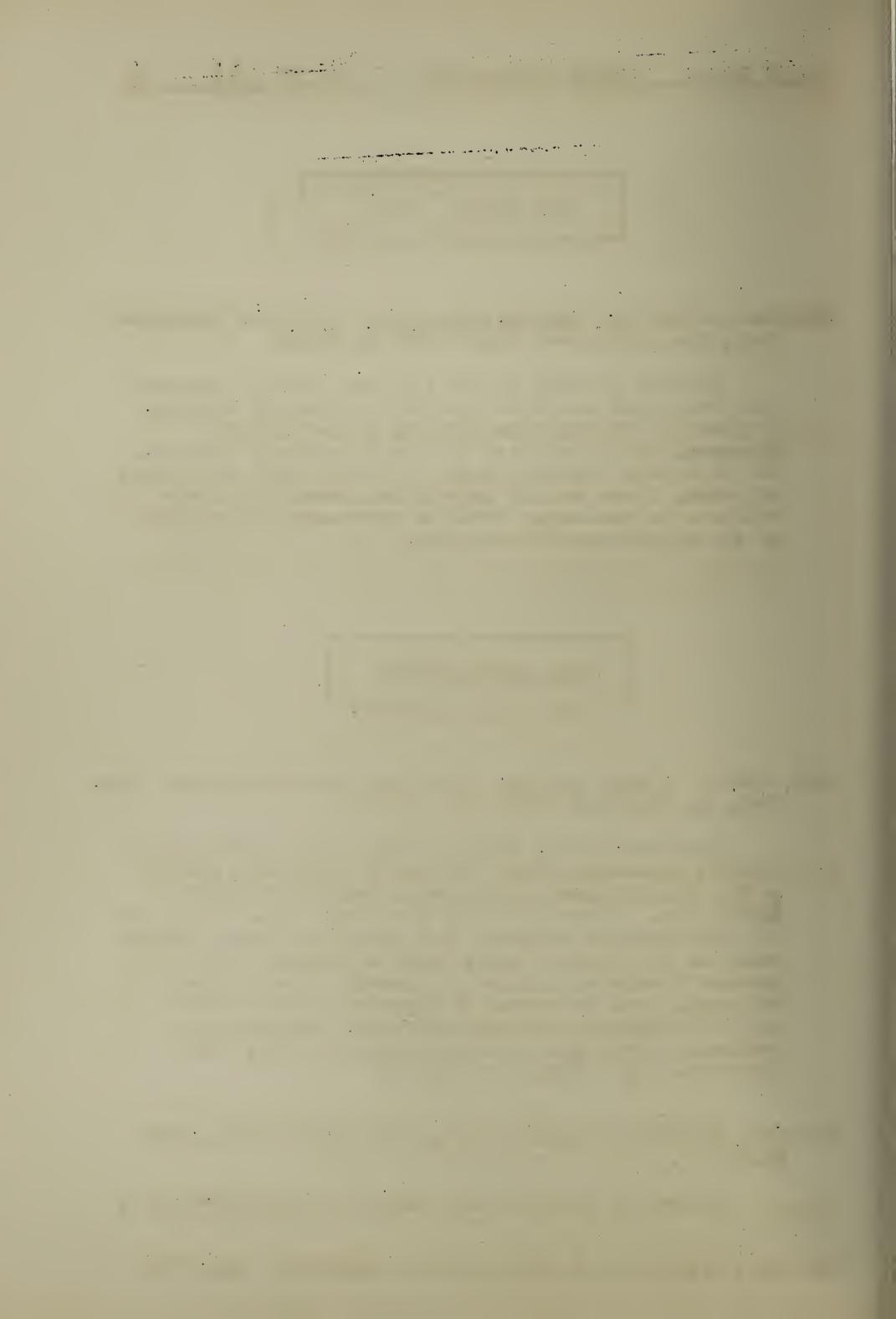
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BRAY, JOHN F. L. Small savings. (Building Societies Gazette. Sept. 1940, pp. 719-725.)

Reproduced from QUARTERLY JOURNAL OF THE ROYAL ECONOMIC SOCIETY, June-Sept., 1940. The author is economic adviser to the United Kingdom Temperance and General Provident Institution. Tables II and III show resp. II. "Borrowers' interest in houses mortgaged to building Societies", 1919-37 each year (a) at end of year: Cwed to building Societies, borrowers' interest in houses mortgaged, value of houses mortgaged, total investment by borrowers at end of year, and (b) repayments, new issues effected, new properties mortgaged, total value of houses during the year. III. Repayments made in the years 1919-37.

DELBRIDGE AMORTIZATION TABLES. St. Louis: Delbridge Co., 1940. \$3.95.

Reviewed in Brooklyn Realty Magazine, Sept., 1940, p. 8.



#### REAL ESTATE FINANCE - Contd.

EXPANSION OF HOME MORTGAGE FINANCING ACTIVITY DURING 1939. (Federal Home Loan Bank Review. Sept. 1939, pp. 410-13. Charts and table.

FISHER, ERNEST M. Mortgage loans in the bank protfolio. 17 pp. Mimeographed.

Address made Sept. 24, 1940, at a round table conference, at the annual convention of the American Bankers Association, by the director of Research in Mortgage and Real Estate Finance of the Association. Released by the News Bureau of the Association, 22 East 40th Street, New York City.

REAL PROPERTY SURVEYS

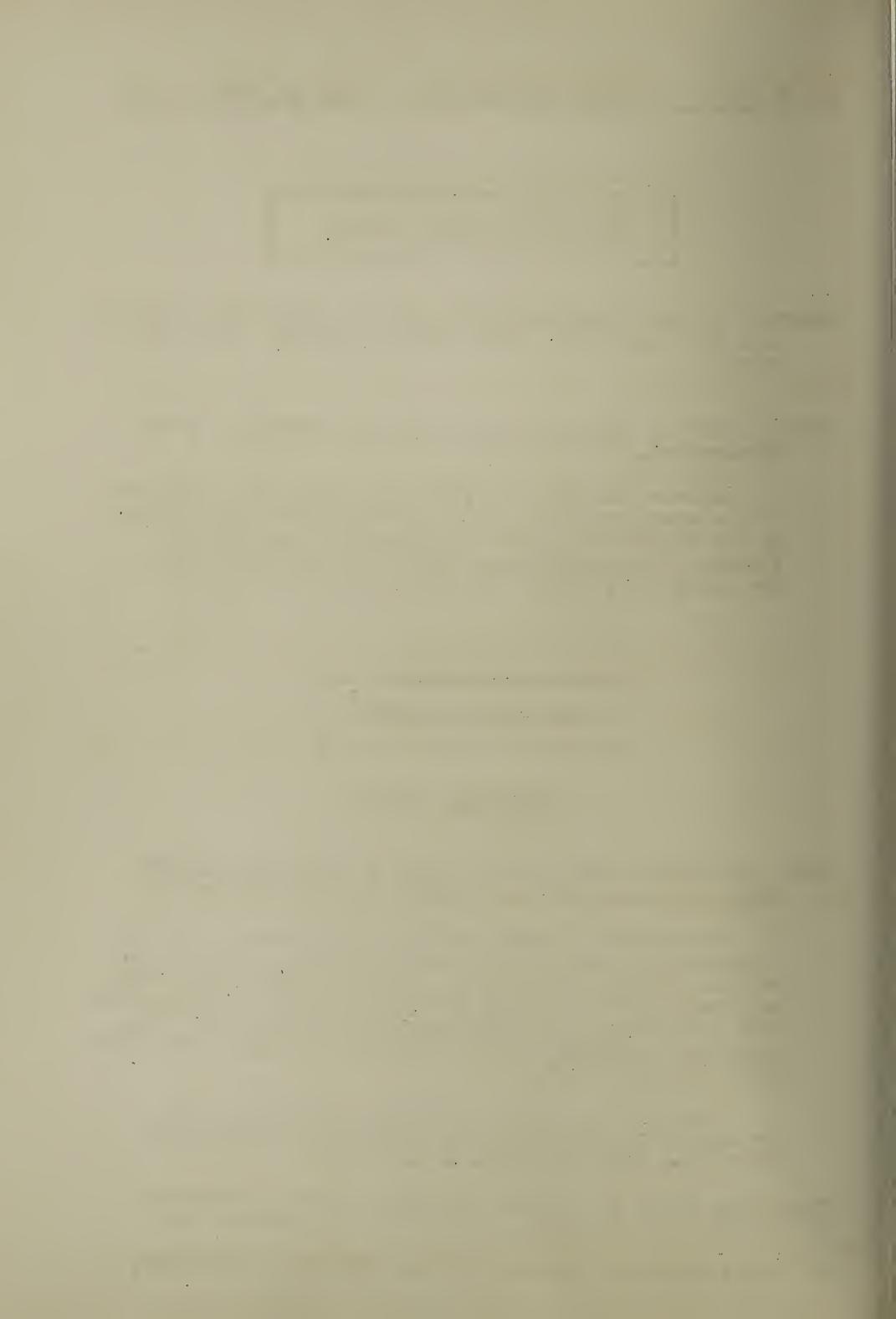
#### BIRMINGHAM, ALABALA

BLOCK TABULATIONS - REAL PROPERTY SURVEY IN BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, 1939, including Homewood, Irondale, Fairfield and Tarrant.

Original real property survey data presented in tabulations for each city block, summarizing type, age, condition, mortgage status, and tenure of residential structures, number of rooms, number of persons per room, number of children, sanitary facilities, rentility\*, occupancy by age, tenure, race, duration and monthly rental of dwelling units within the block. (From size,  $8\frac{1}{2}$ " x 13").

Complete set of Block Tabulations deposited in Real Property Survey Data Collection, Division of Research and Statistics, FHA, Washington, D. C. - J. B.

\*Rentility, rental per dwelling unit plus utilities included in the contract rent (equipment, gas, electricity, service, etc.)



REAL PROPERTY SURVEYS - Contd.

### DENVER, COLO.

GENERAL SURVEY TABLES - REAL PROPERTY SURVEY IN DENVER, COLORADO, 1939.

Real property survey data presented in detailed cross-tabulations summarizing for the city, infromation on residential structures under construction; type, age, condition, mortgage status, material, value and occupancy data for existing residential structures; adequacy, value, monthly rental, utilities and occupancy characteristics of dwelling units. (Form size, ll" x 17").

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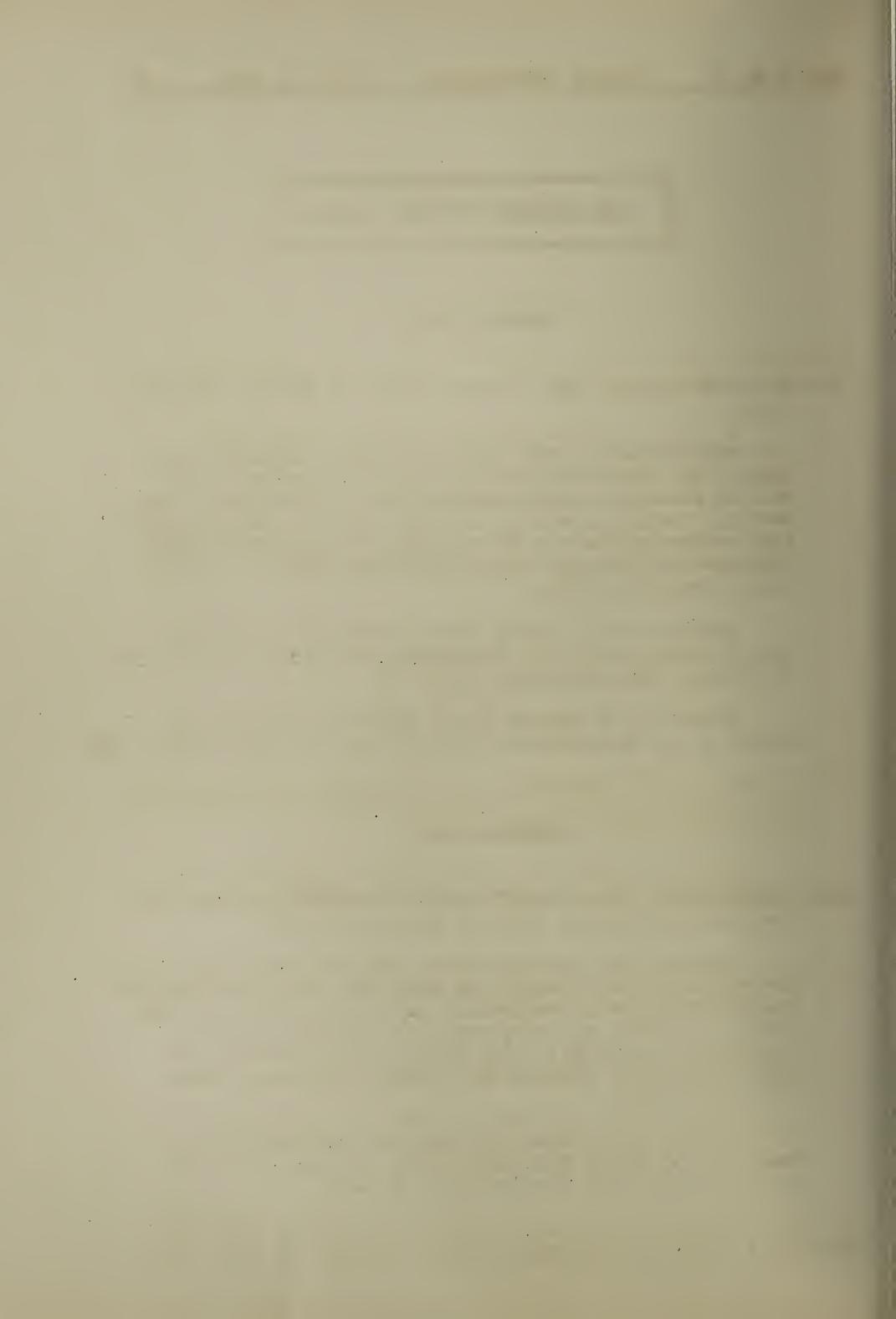
Copies of the General Survey Tables are available in Denver at the Socio-Economic Survey, City and County Hall. - J.B.

#### GADSDEN, ALA.

BLOCK TABULATIONS - REAL PROPERTY SURVEY IN GADSDEN, ALABAMA, 1939 covering the corporate city and contiguous area.

Original real property survey data presented in tabulations for each city block summarizing type, age, condition, mortgage status and tenure of residential structures; number of rooms, number of persons per room, number of children, sanitary facilities, occupancy by age, tenure, race, duration, and monthly rental of dwelling units within the block. (Form size,  $\mathcal{E}_{\overline{z}}^{1}$ " x 13").

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REAL PROPERTY SURVEYS - Contd.

### PHILADELPHIA, PA.

PHILADELPHIA CENTRAL REAL PROPERTY SURVEY. (Real Estate Magazine. Sept. 1940, p. 3.)

Interesting facts collected during a survey which covered an area included in 17 of the older wards of the city. The survey was sponsored by the Philadelphia Housing Authority and extracts from the report are a part of the above article. A summary of the report on the area included within the 21st and 22d wards is printed in the October issue of the Real Estate Magazine.

**URBANISM** 

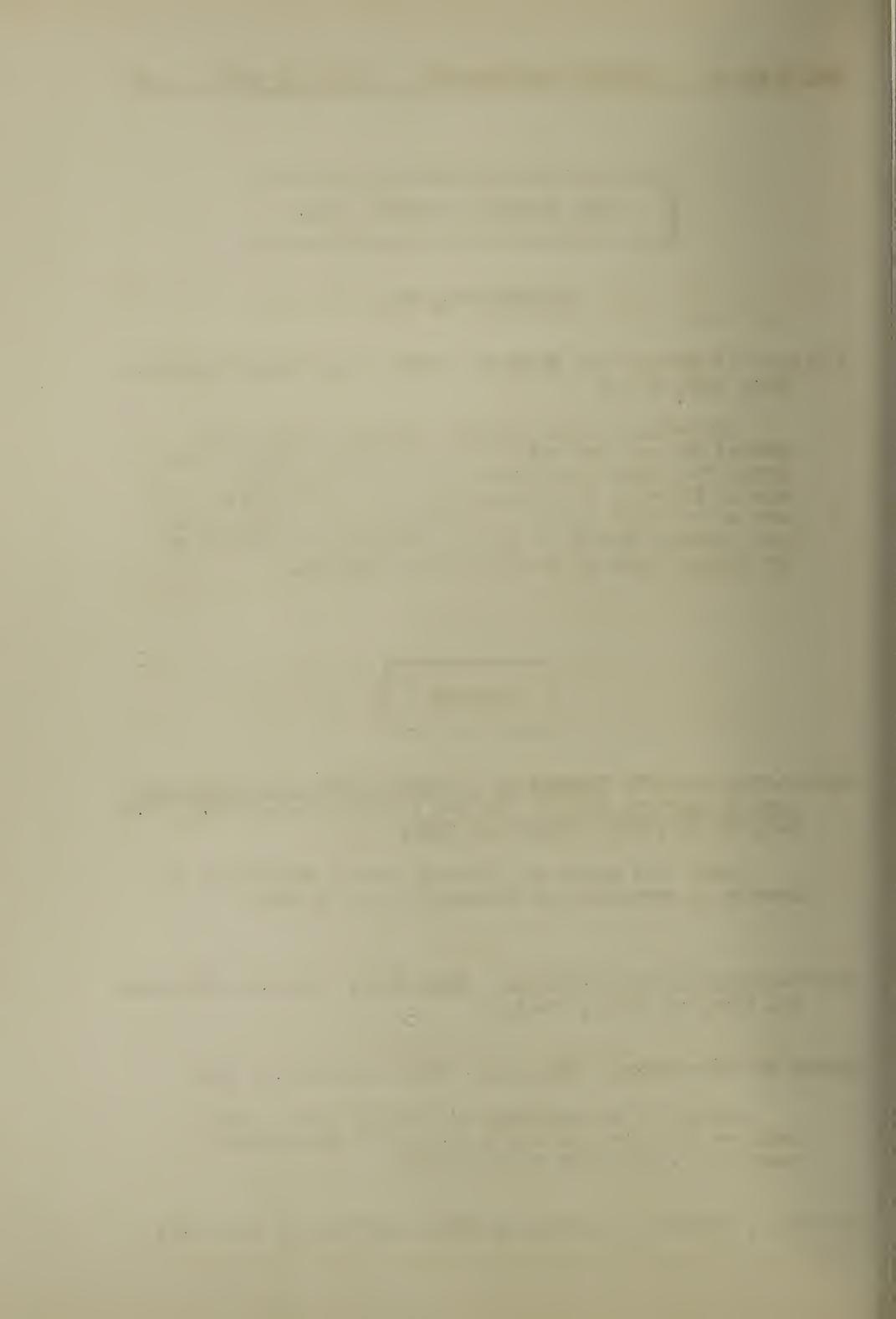
BARTHOLOMEW, HARLAND. <u>Present</u> and ultimate effect of decentralization on American cities. pp. 5-8 in Real Estate Record. Vol. 146, No. 15 (3787) October 12, 1940.

Paper read before the Mortgage Bankers Association of America in convention at Chicago, October 3, 1940.

BLIGHT-REHABILITATION-REMODELING. (NAHO News. July 26, 1940, Aug. 30, 1940, pp. 54-56, 60-61.)

DESIGN FOR CITY LIVING. (Freehold. Sept. 15, 1940, p. 197.)

Account of an experiment to stem the tide of city dwellers to suburbs made in Austin, staid residential community on Chicago's far west side.



URBANISM - Contd.

HOUSING INDEX-DIGEST

HOYT, DR. HOMER. After 150 years urban American growth has reached a plateau. (Real Estate Aug. 24, 1940, pp. 8-9.)

"A long-range survey of historical forces shows that there are periods of sudden dynamic change in which all values based on short run considerations are overturned. In the early nineteenth century our urban real estate values and the calculations of engineers of future requirements of a city for water and for additions to its territory were frequently based on a projection of the rate of growth that had continued for a century and which seemed likely to continue for another century....It is now necessary to estimate further urban growth, not on the basis of the automatic projections of past trends, but upon sober analysis of the power of the city to support its population by manufacturing and trading activities."

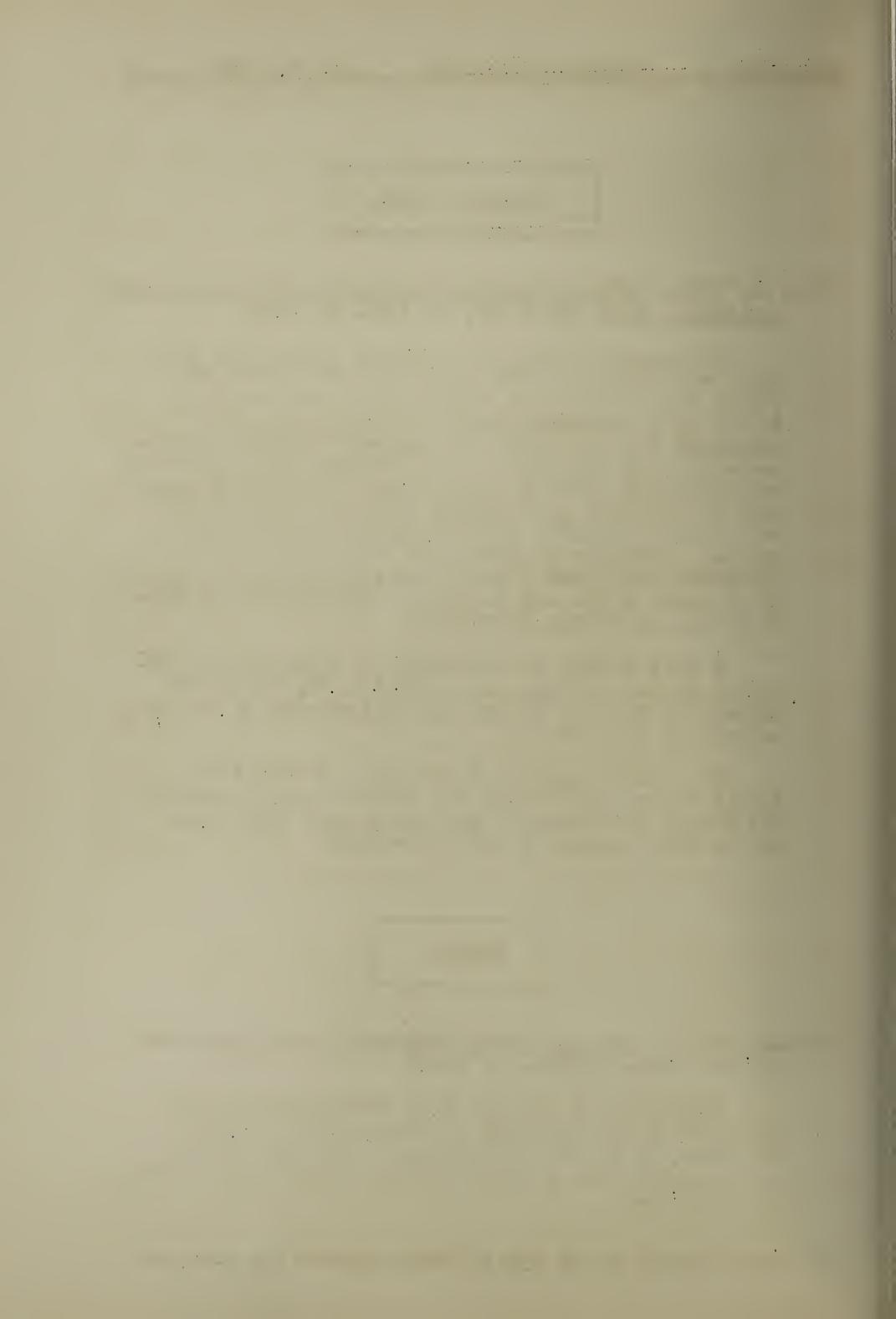
A chart showing the fluctuation in population for the last 2692 years of Rome, Paris (100 A.D. /), London (300 A.D./), New York and Chicago (1700 /), prepared by Dr. Hoyt, accompanies this article.

This article appeared originally in the New York Herald Tribune and has also been printed in the Review of the Society of Residential Appraisers, Sept. 1940 issue. In the latter reprint the map is omitted.

ZONING

DOUGLAS, PAUL H. Rezoning Chicago-piece-meal or over-all? (Real Estate. Sept. 7, 1940, pp. 9-10.)

Alderman of the Chicago fifth ward and professor of economics at the University of Chicago, Prof. Douglas, in summing up the case for rezoning in Chicago, gives it as his opinion that a general frontal attack on the problem is preferable.



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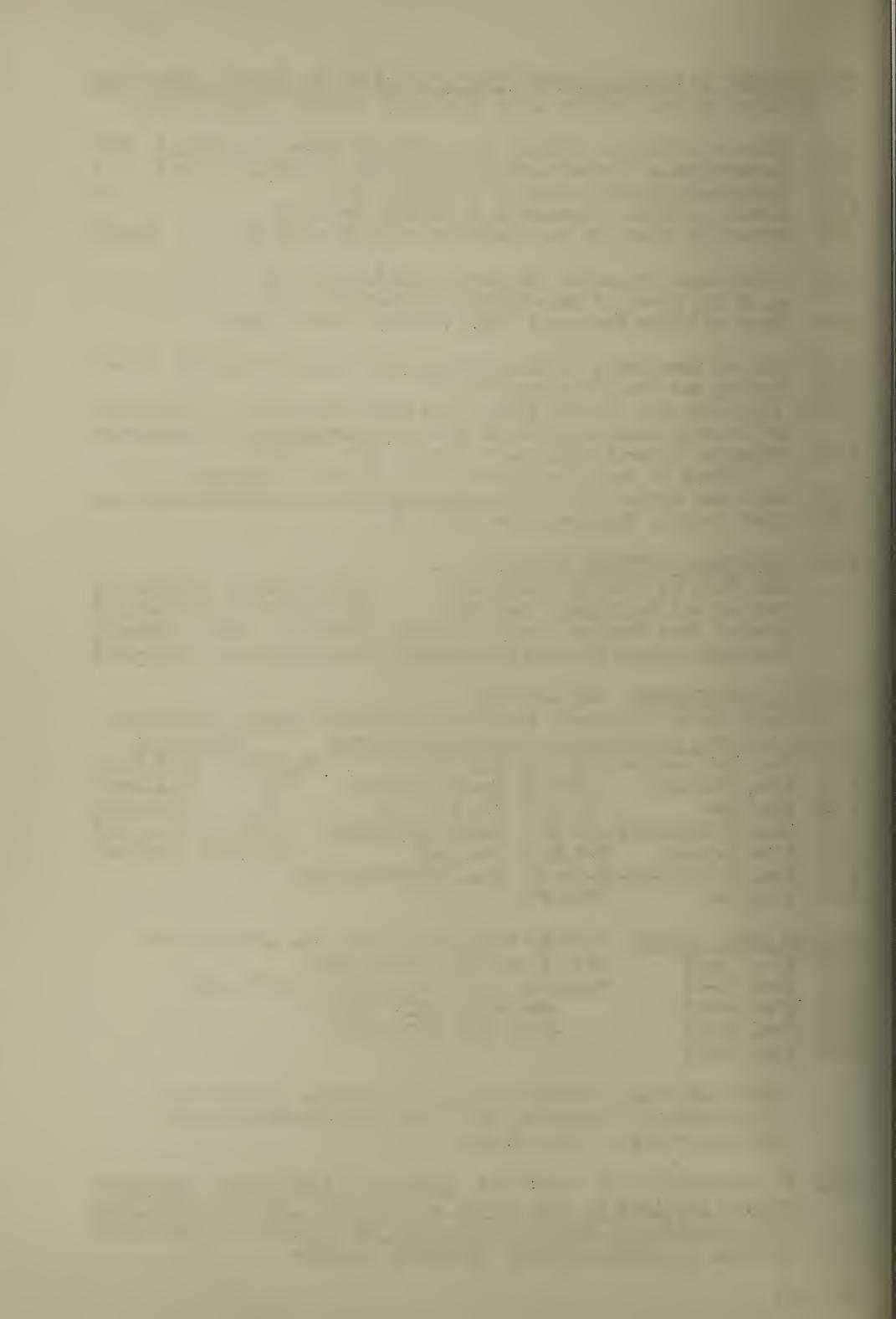
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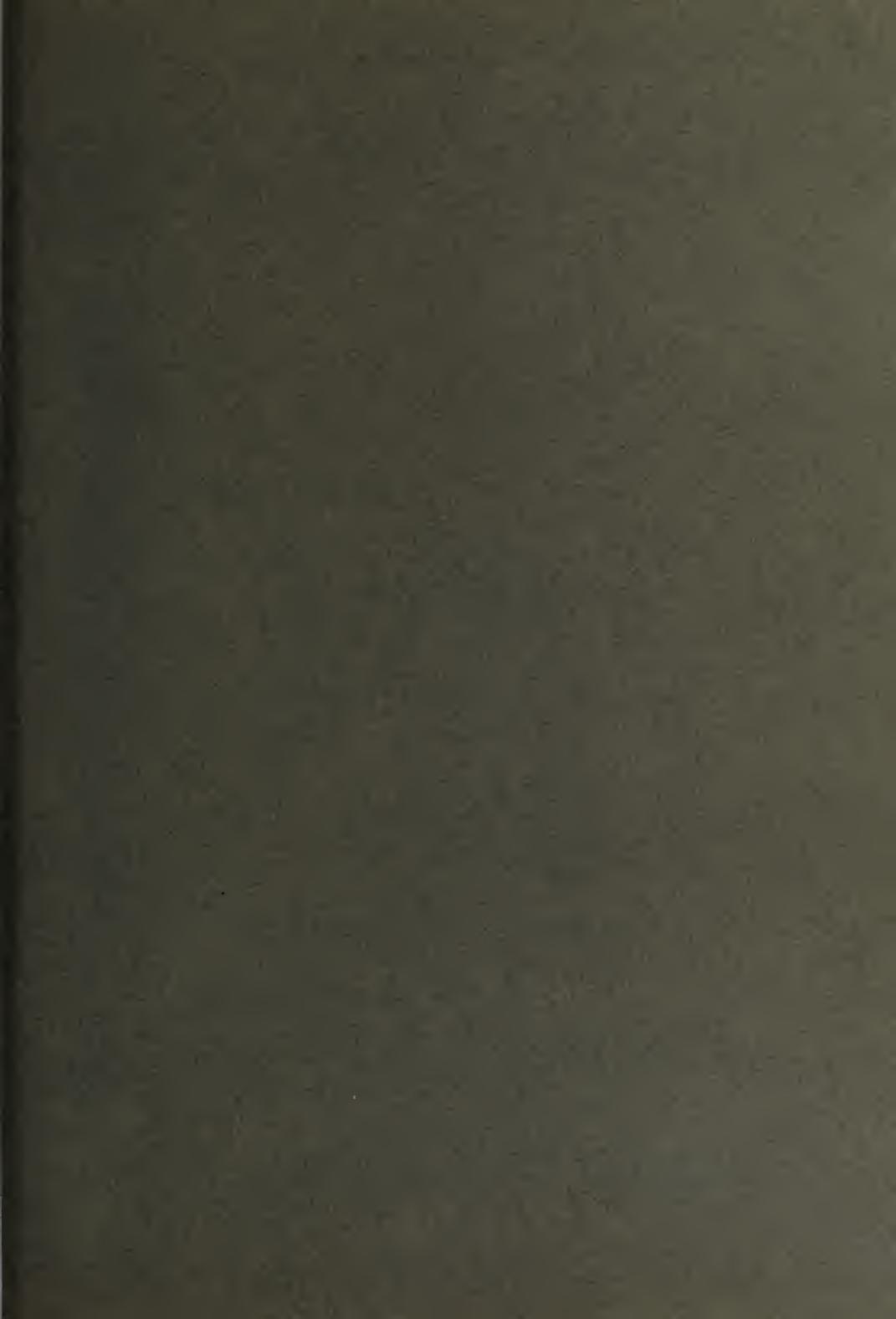
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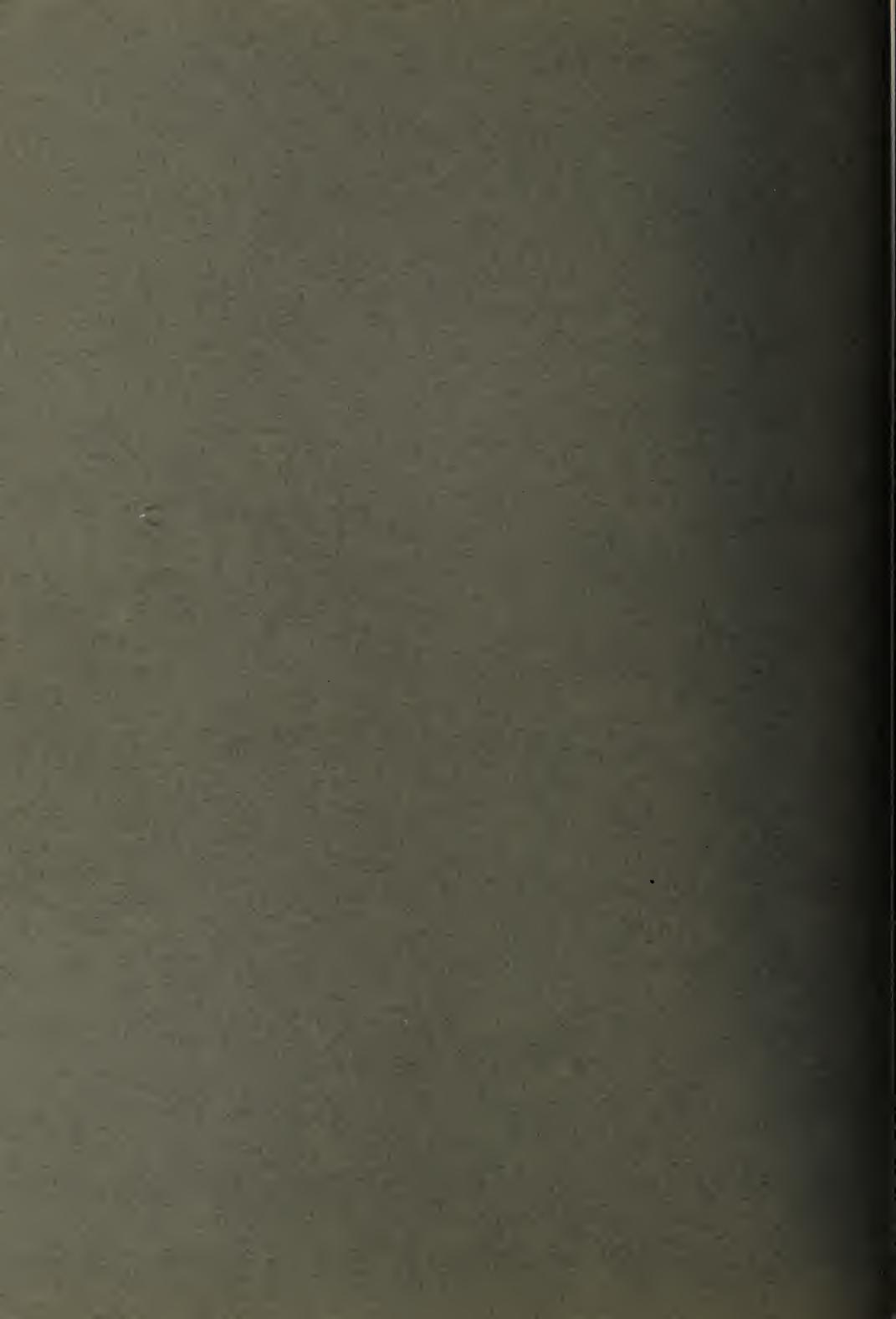
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The publication list on page 28 of this issue includes a detailed Index-Digest check list from which libraries may order missing copies to complete reference sets. Many back numbers are out of print and a current call is for No. 3 of Volume 2. It will be helpful if recipients who have no special use for old copies will notify the Central Housing Committee at 1601 Eye Street, N. W. Washington, D. C.

#### APPRAISAL

FREY, HERBERT O. Looking at appraisals from a bank's view point. (Real Estate Magazine Nov. 1940, pp. 29, 66.)

The vice president of the Pennsylvania Company for Insurance on Lives and granting annuities says the technique and ideals of the American Institute of Real Estate Appraisers are looked upon as worthy of the highest respect.

- HYDER, K. LEE. Two problems in appraising: repossessed lots, twin buildings. (Freehold. Oct. 15, 1940, pp. 282-84.)
- PORTER, WINSTON S: Home valuation by comparison. (Real Estate. Nov. 2, 1940, pp. 9-10.)

Of the three customary appraisal approaches, market data, cost, capitalization, the first, market data, or comparison, is basic, and is the only one here developed by Mr. Porter.

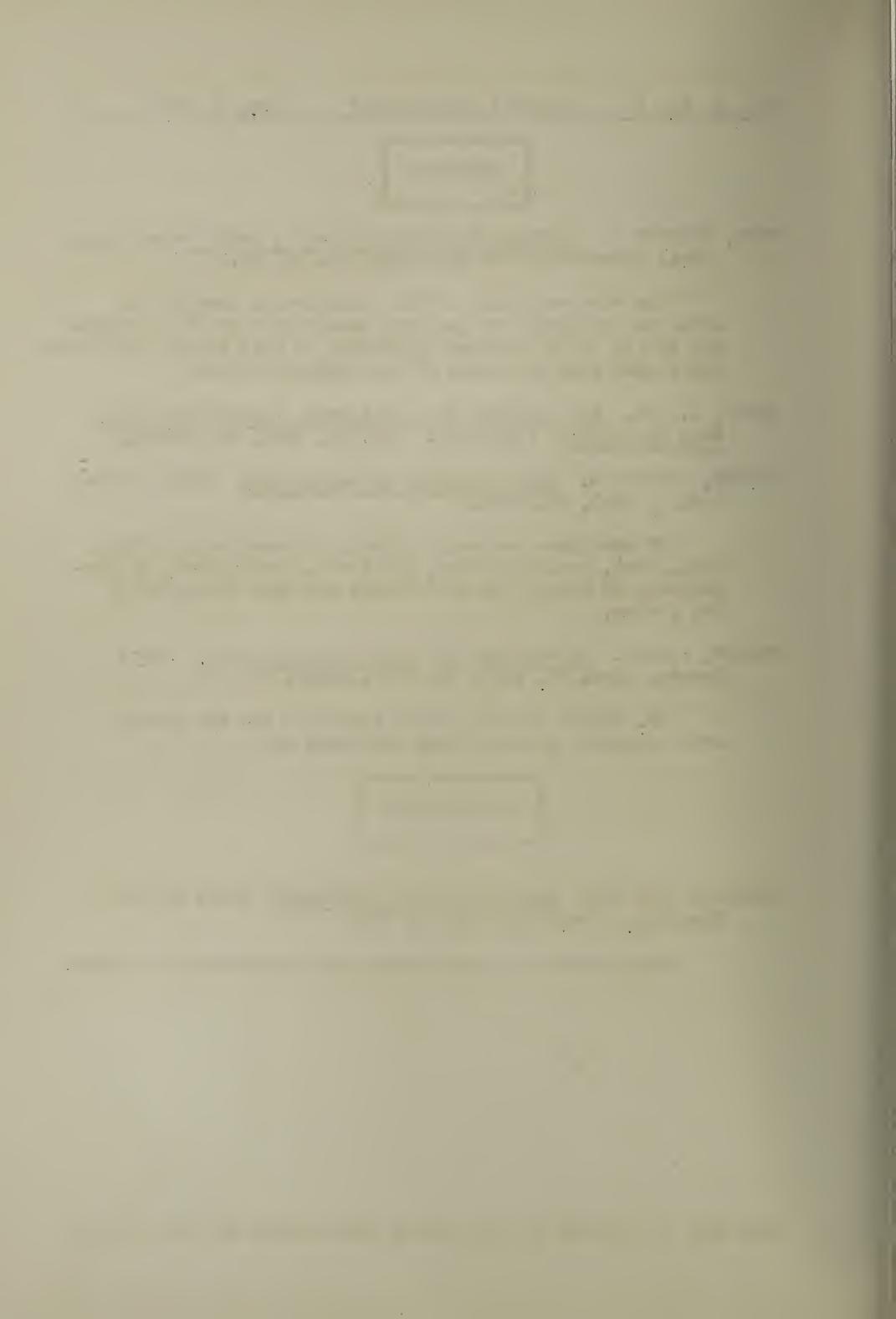
THAYER, DONALD. Determining the capitalization rate. (Real Estate. Oct. 12, 1940, pp. 8-10. Chart.)

Mr. Thayer is real estate appraiser for the Continental Illinois National Bank and Trust Co.

ARCHITECTURE

MOWBRAY, JOHN MCG. What is new in home building? (Real Estate Magazine. Nov. 1940, pp. 57, 83.)

New Products, new equipment, new architectural designs.



#### BUILDING RESEARCH

GREAT BRITAIN. BUILDING RESEARCH BOARD. Report of the Board for the year 1939. London: H. M. Stationery Office, 1940. 60 pp.

As usual there is a comprehensive account of the research activities but in place of the customary full reports only summarized accounts are given.

CODES

BRICK MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION OF NEW YORK, INC., Brick cavity walls: New York City building code requirements. 12pp.

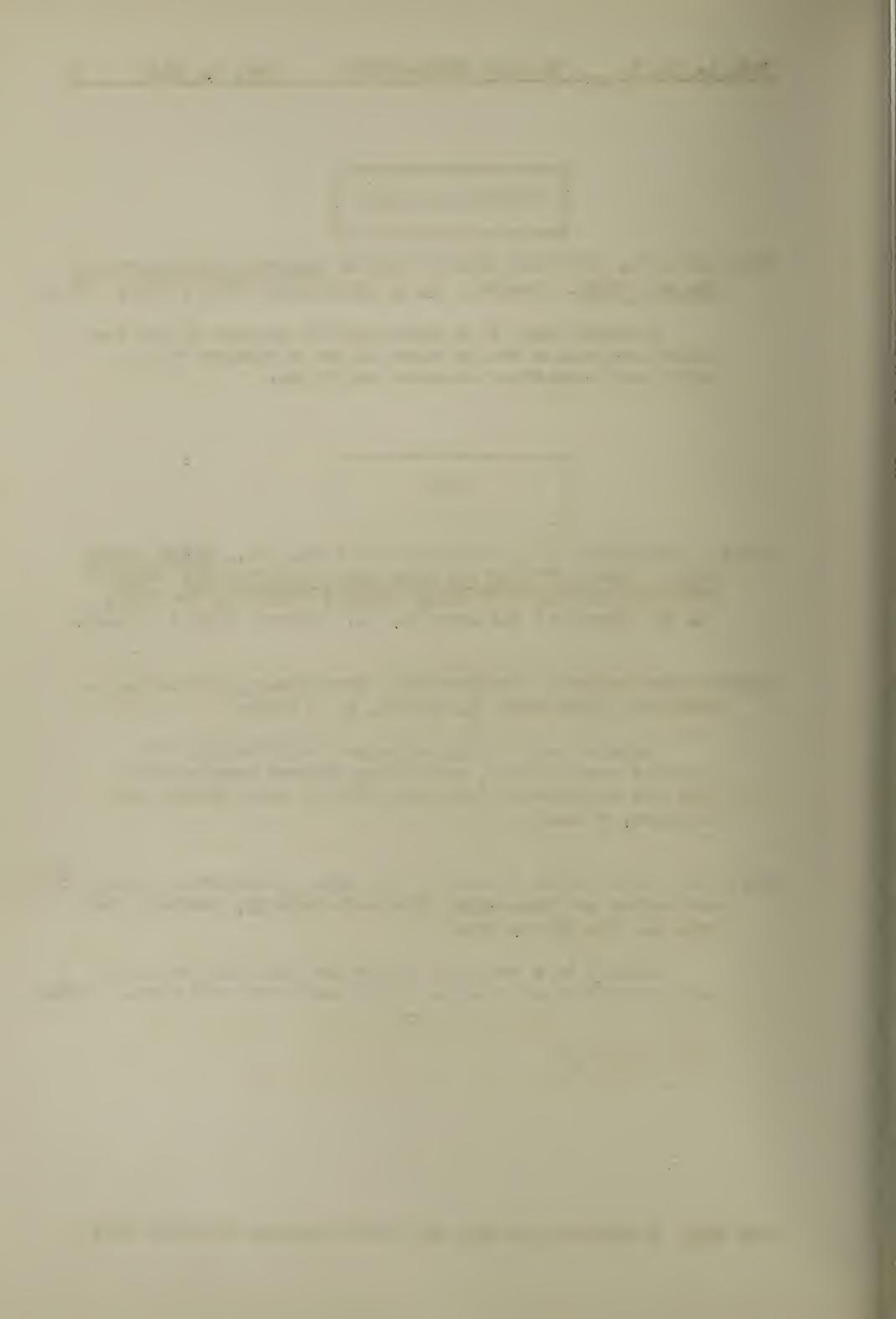
(The Association, 2721 Grand Central Terminal, New York, N. Y. Technical Bulleton No. 14, October, 1940.) - T.C.B.

MINIMUM FIRE DISTRICT REQUIREMENTS. (The Municipality--Wis.,--November, 1940; Vol. 35, No. 11, p. 243-244.)

Includes text of "An ordinance establishing fire district regulations", containing minimum requirements only and designed to meet the needs of small cities and villages. - T.C.B.

NEW YORK CODE REQUIRES STANDARD SOIL PIPE. (Industrial Standardization and Commercial Standards Monthly, October, 1940; vol. 11, No. 10, p. 256.)

Relates to a revision of the New York City building code requiring use of A40. 1-1935 cast-iron soil pipe. - T.C.B.



CODES - CONT'D.

SEATTLE CODE REVISED TO ALLOW LIGHT FLOORS. (Engineering News-Record, October 3, 1940; p. 439.)

Mentions various changes made in the Seattle, Wash., building code, including provisions for lighter floor construction in certain store buildings and manufacturing plants. - T.C.B.

#### CONSTRUCTION

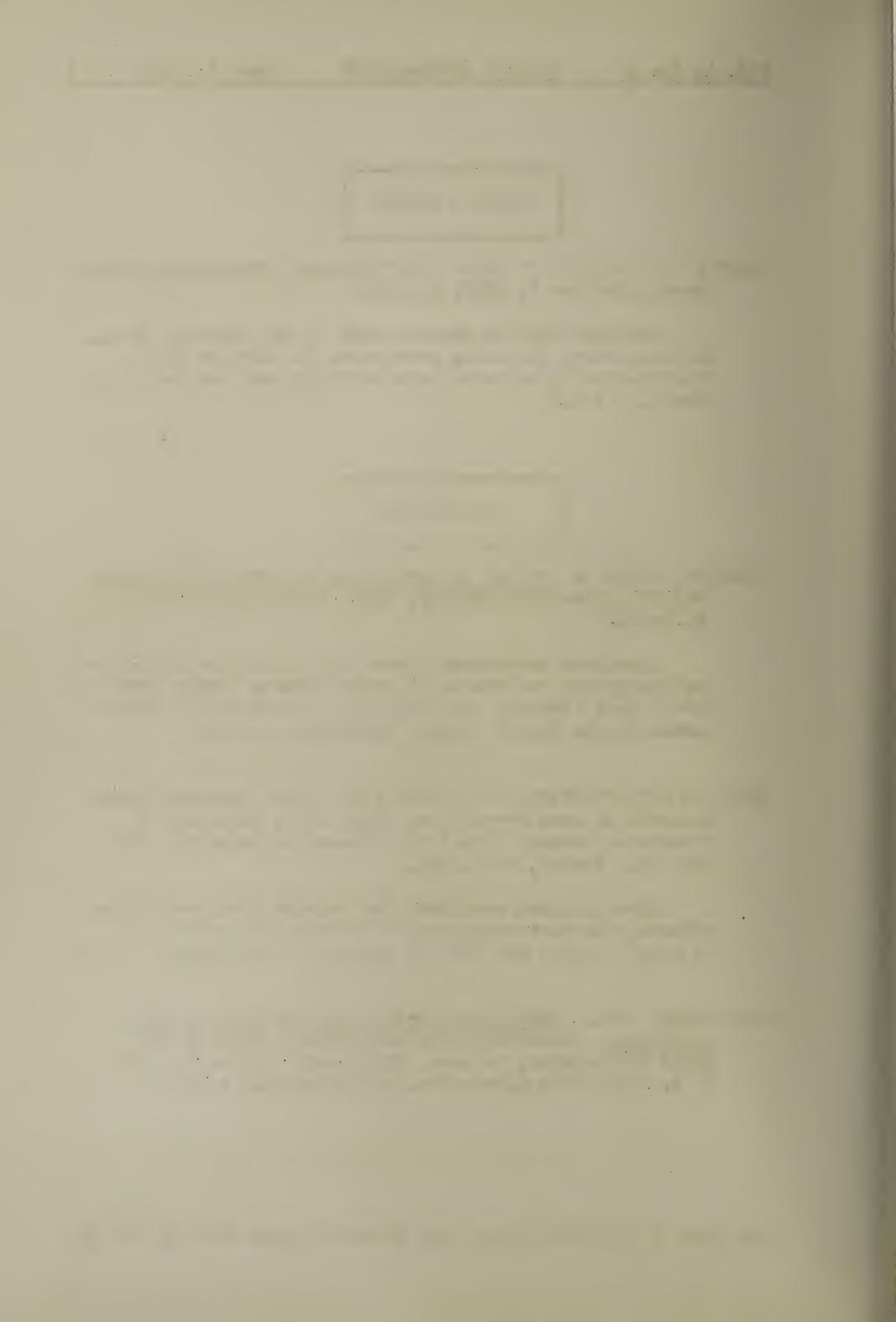
CRESKOFF, JACOB J. Design of earthquake resistant structures. (Building Standards Monthly, July, 1940; vol. 9, No. 7, p. 6-10.)

Discusses earthquake forces and principles of building design for resistance to those forces. Table gives date, place (state), and intensity of destructive earthquakes in the United States, 1638-1936. - T.C.B.

DETAILED SPECIFICATIONS FOR LAYING FIRE MAINS. Factory Mutual Bulletin of Loss Prevention, July, 1940; published by Associated Factory Mutual Fire Insurance Companies, 184 High St., Boston, Mass. 8pp.

Gives minimum standards for private fire protective systems, for yard piping which delivers the water used in fire fighting and for the laying of such pipes. - T.C.B.

GOTTSCHALK, OTTO. Simplified wind-stress analysis of tall buildings. (Proceedings of the American Society for Civil Engineering, October, 1940; vol. 66, No. 8, part 2, p. 1019-1028; discussion, p. 1029-1049.) - T.C.B.



#### CONSTRUCTION-CONT'D.

HOSKINS, LEANDER, AND JOHN D. GALLOWAY. Earthquakes and structures. (Proceedings of the American Society of Civil Engineering, October, 1940; vol. 66, No. 8, part 2, p.269-297; discussion, p. 298-322.)

Discusses nature of carthquake waves, with some reference to their cause, complexity, and characteristics; relation between the waves and structures that may be subjected to forces arising therefrom; ground motion; theory of flexure of vertical beams subjected to transverse oscillations; extension of the theory to an elastic column sustaining a load. - T.C.B.

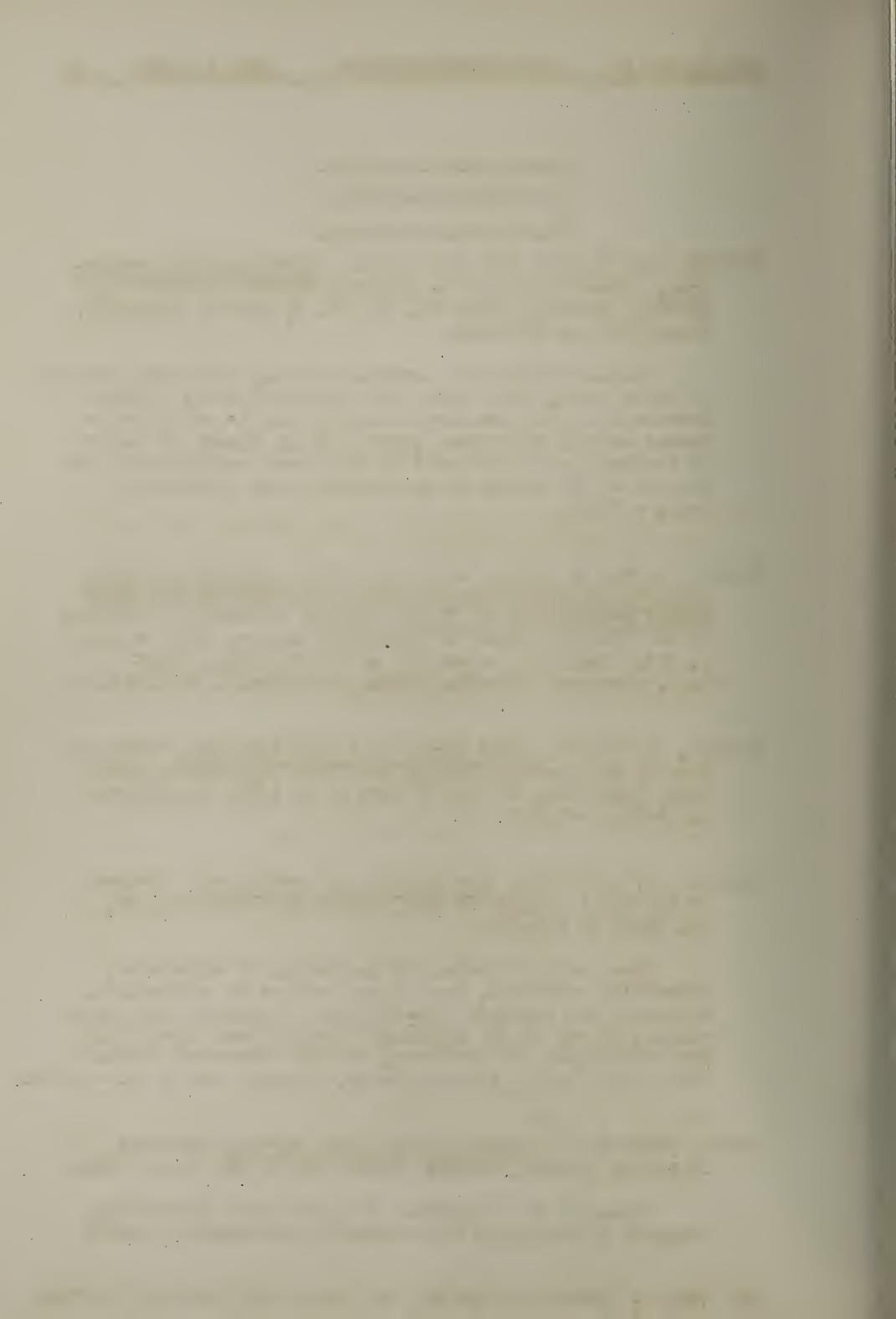
- KESSLER, D. W., H. INSLEY, AND W. H. SLIGH. Physical, mineralogical, and durability studies on the building and monumental granites of the United States. (Journal of Research of the National Bureau of Standards, August, 1940; vol.25, p. 161. Reprinted separately as RP1320, 46pp. 15¢.)
  U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C. T.C.B.
- RATHBUN, J. CHARLES. Wind forces on a tall building. (Proceedings of the American Society for Civil Engineering, October, 1940; vol. 66, No. 8, part 2, p. 1-41; discussion, p. 42-82.) T.C.B.
- THORNTON, D. LAUGHARNE. Earthquakes and structures. (Journal of the Róyal Society of Arts, August 23, 1940; vol. 88, No. 4568, p. 800-815.

Gives salient factors in the design of structures, especially buildings, for regions subject to earthquakes. Discusses how stresses attending the disturbance are transmitted, by way of the interface formed by the subsoil and the foundations of a building, to such structural components as the walls, trusses, beams, columns, and so on. - T.C.B.

ULRICH, FRANKLIN P. Earthquake resistant design. Building Standards Monthly, October, 1940; vol. 9, No. 10, p. 7-12.)

Discusses the importance of experienced engineering judgment in designing for earthquake resistance. - T.C.B.

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### CONSTRUCTION-CONT'D.

WIND BRACING IN STEEL BUILDINGS: Final report of Subcommittee No. 31 Committee on Steel of the Structural Division. (Proceedings of the American Society for Civil Engineering, October, 1940; vol. 66, No. 8, part 2, p. 1713-1739.)

- T.C.B.

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LYDICK, C. C. A city attacks its housing shortage. (Freehold. Nov. 15, 1940, pp. 354-55.)

Refers to Moline, the Illinois manufacturing city of 35,000 population.

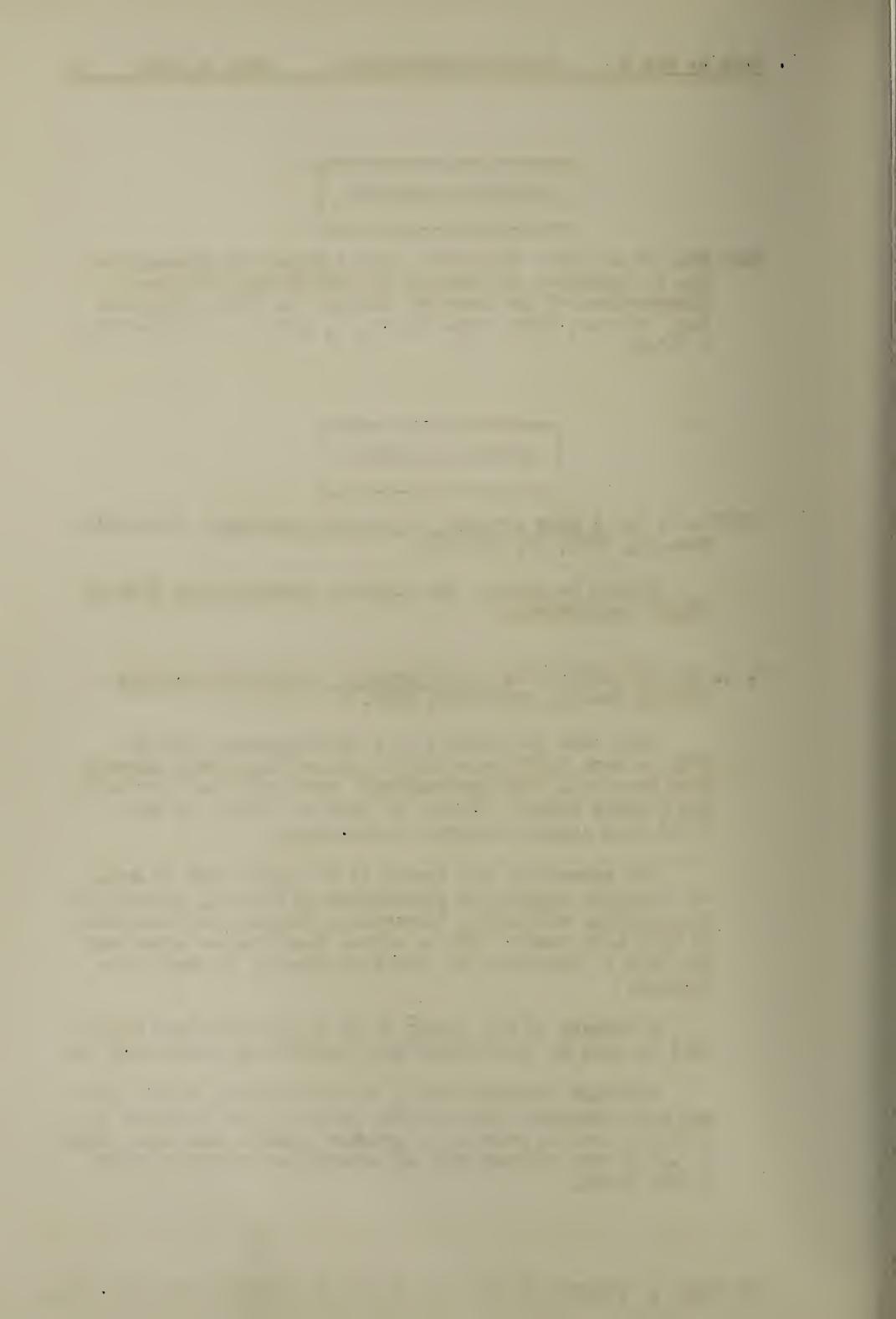
U. S. HOUSING AUTHORITY. Questionnaire on housing courses. (Public Housing October 8, 1940.)

More than 700 replies to a questionnaire sent by USHA to some 1,700 universities and colleges have already been received. The instructions were asked to list housing courses before offered, as well as courses in any field that include material on housing.

The purpose of the survey is to enable USHA to answer requests concerning instruction in housing, especially from college officials, librarians, teachers and students. It will also enable USHA to advise institutions which ask for help in including the study of housing in their curriculum.

A summary of the survey is to be published and copies will be sent to individuals and institutions requesting it.

Although educators have, in recent years, become more and more concerned with housing problems, and colleges are offering housing courses in greater numbers each year, there is not at the present time any available summary of work in the field.



#### HOUSING OPERATION-CONT'D.

MCNAMARA, KATHERINE. Some references on provisions for recreation in housing developments. Oct. 2, 1940. 2pp. Mimeographed.

Miss McNamara is the well-known librarian of the Library of the Departments of Landscape Architecture and Regional Planning, Harvard University. The reference list is a publication of the Library.

HOUSING OPERATION: NATIONAL DEFENSE

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- or completed... The amount agreed upon under such conditions might be a percentage of the amount paid in on equity. Such a program would require, however, special congressional authorization of the FHA, and the provision of special reserve funds for the purpose."
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  BUILDING RESEARCH. Type designs for small huts. 22pp
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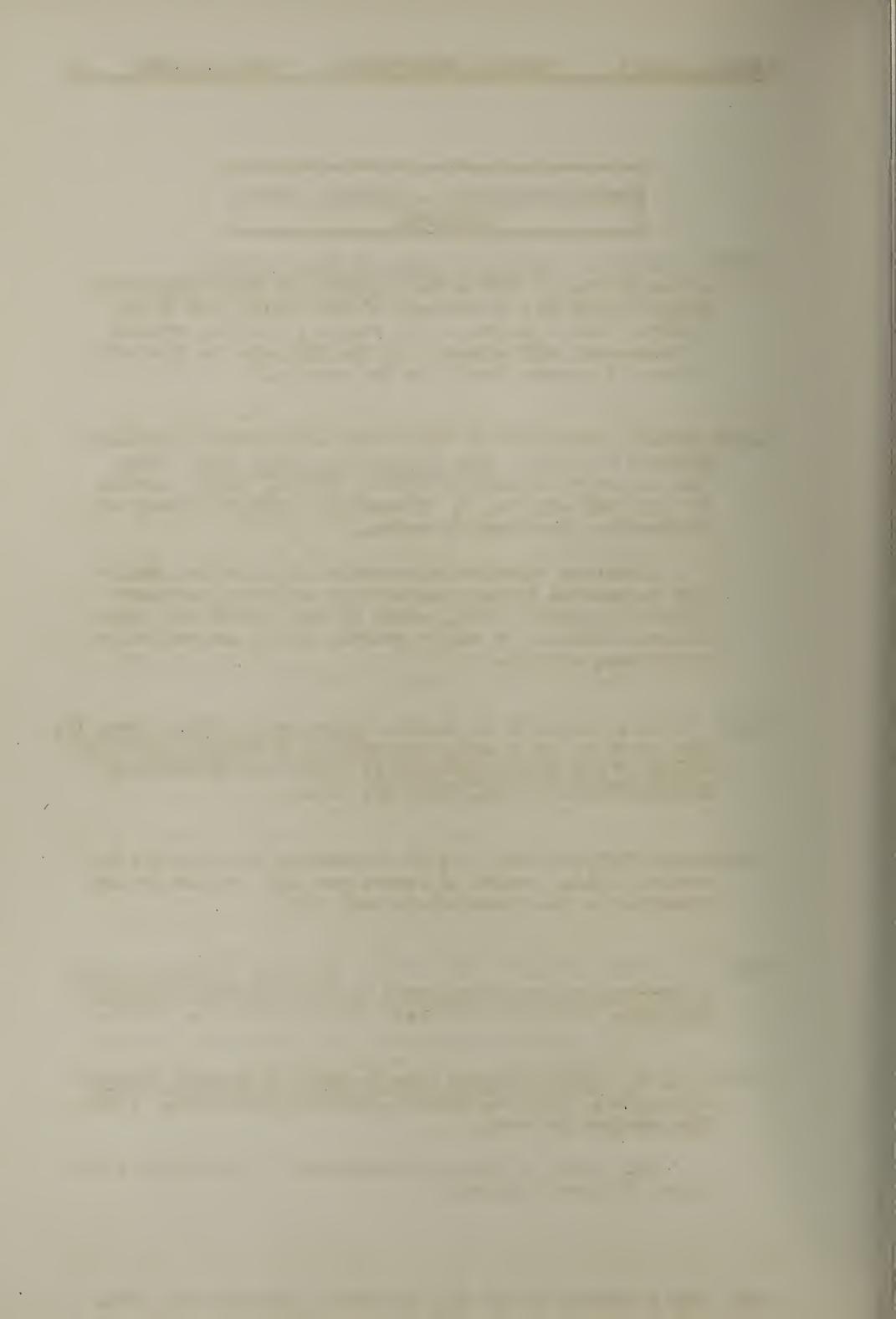
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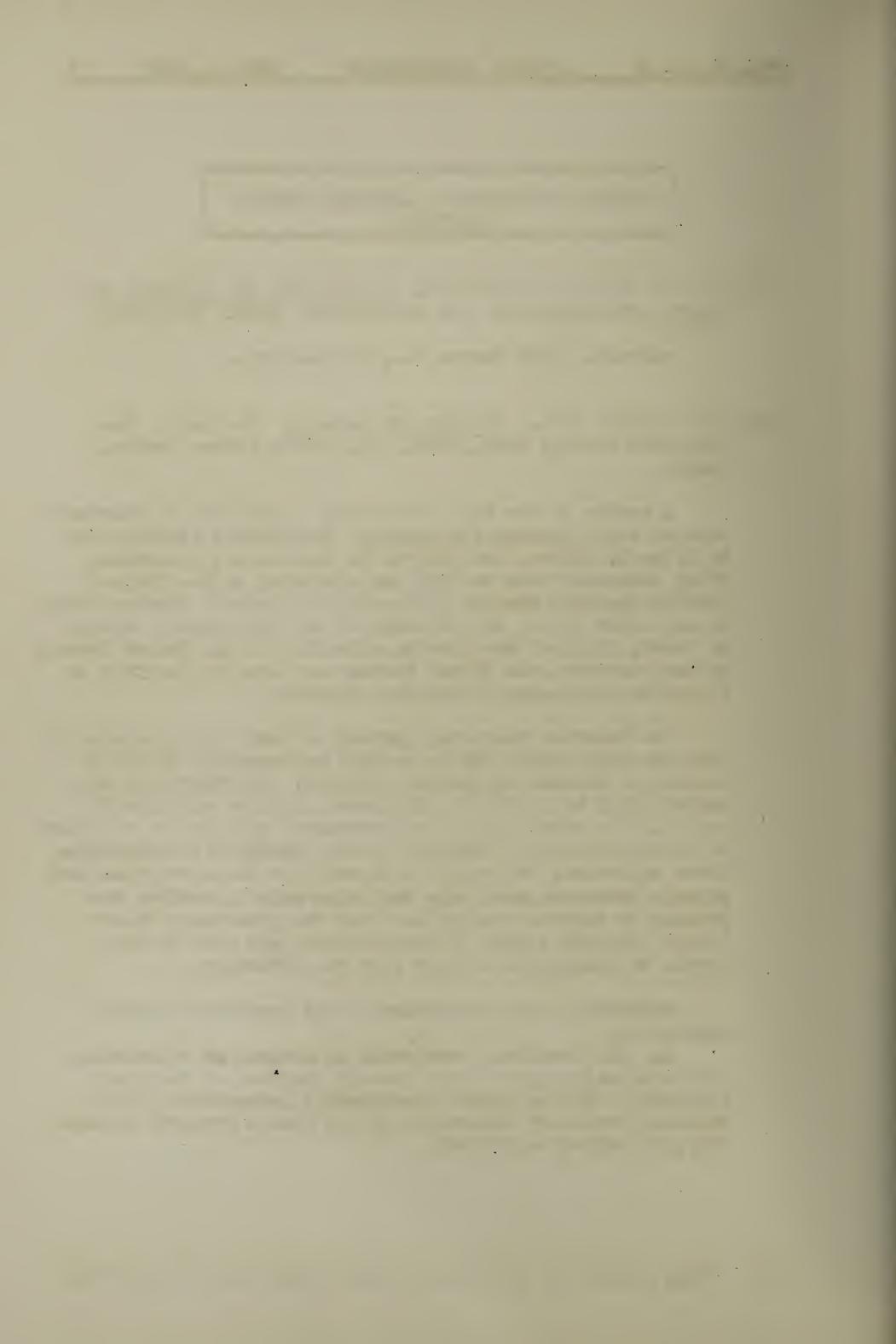
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A review of the role of housing in relation to America's defense and a program for action. The factual findings are by Miles L. Colean, the program by the Housing Committee. Being convinced that revival and expansion in the field of housing promised greater employment and general recovery than in any other field, the Trustees of the Fund began a survey in March, 1940, of the housing situation in the United States. By May, however, the United States was already embarking on a tremendous program of national defense.

The Trustees thereupon decided to turn aside temporarily from the main survey and to prepare an emergency report on housing as related to national defense. In order that the survey might be useful to government agencies considerable emphasis has been placed upon government policies in relation to defense housing. However, as the Committee's recommendations emphasize, the report is based upon the assumption that private interests must play the major role in meeting the problem of defense housing and that the government itself should directly engage in construction only when private action in inadequate to cope with the situation.

Following is the substance of the Committee's recommendations:

1. The Committee recommends as a means of stimulating technological progress that present programs of technical research in the two great governmental laboratories, the National Bureau of Standards and the Forest Products Laboratory, be largely amplified.



TWENTIETH CENTURY FUND. Housing for Defense - Continued.

This research should be concerned particularly with materials, equipment and structural methods for low-priced houses. It is further urged that information on the results of such research be widely disseminated, utilizing the field offices of the housing agencies. Such a research program should be speeded and extended by utilizing the facilities of universities, private laboratories, and technical societies now engaged in this field of research and by taking full advantage of techniques developed by industry.

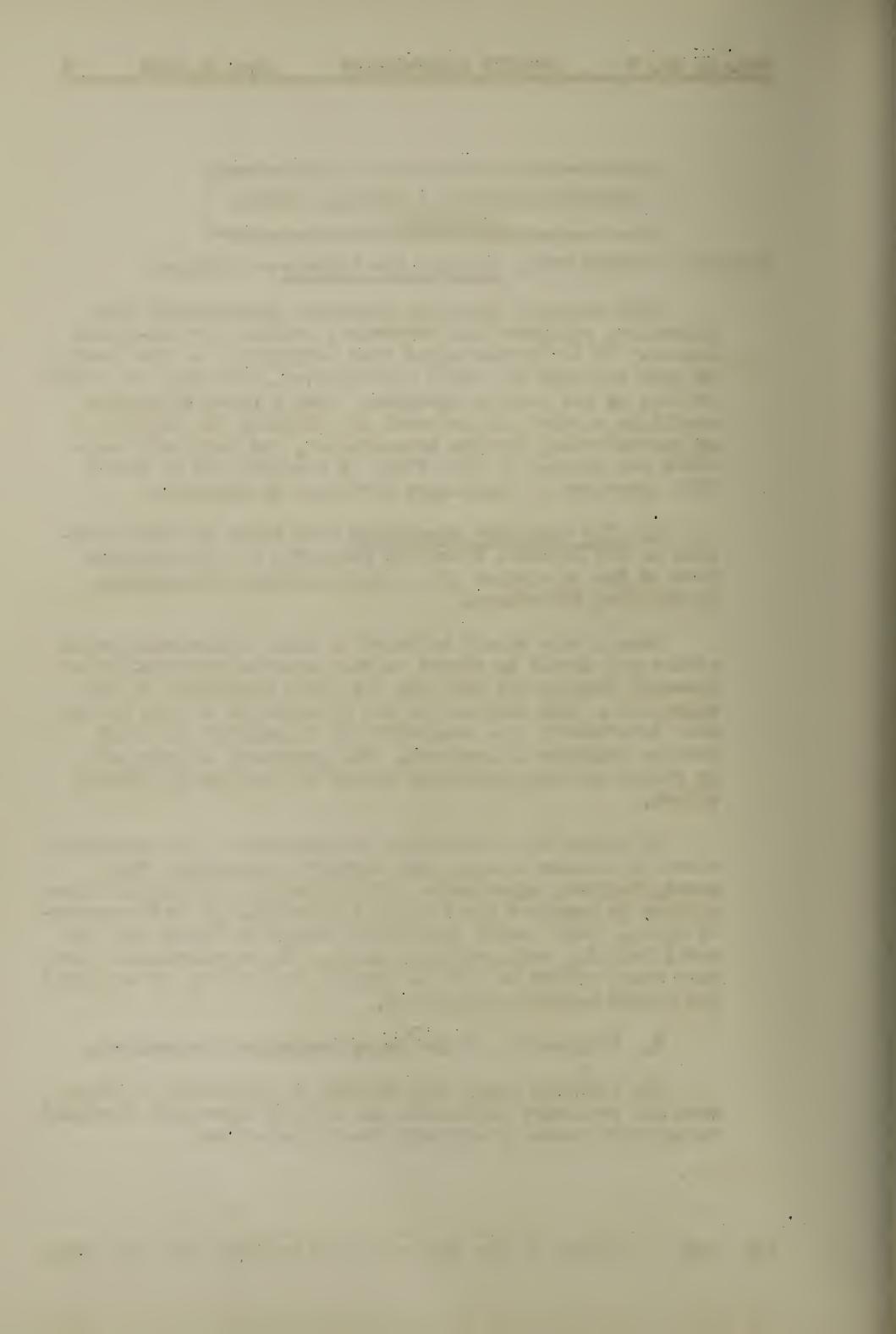
2. The Committee recommends that funds be made available to the National Bureau of Standards for the preparation of the provisions of a model building code applying to dwelling structures.

Such a code should be based on sound engineering principles and should be fitted to the economic requirements of low-cost housing and the need for local variations in requirements. The sections of the code should be made available immediately upon completion to communities in which defense activity is centered. The enactment of this code by states and municipalities should be promoted by federal effort.

To assure the maintenance of standards in the constructions of defense housing, the Committee recommends that county building agencies be established and permits and compliance be required for housing construction in unincorporated areas. Such county regulations should be based upon the model building code mentioned above. It is recommended also that every effort be made to improve the quality of municipal and county building inspection.

3. Elimination of Arbitrary Restraints Recommended.

The Committee urges that efforts be encouraged to eradicate any arbitrary restraints and illicit agreements designed to maintain costs or maintain local monopolies.



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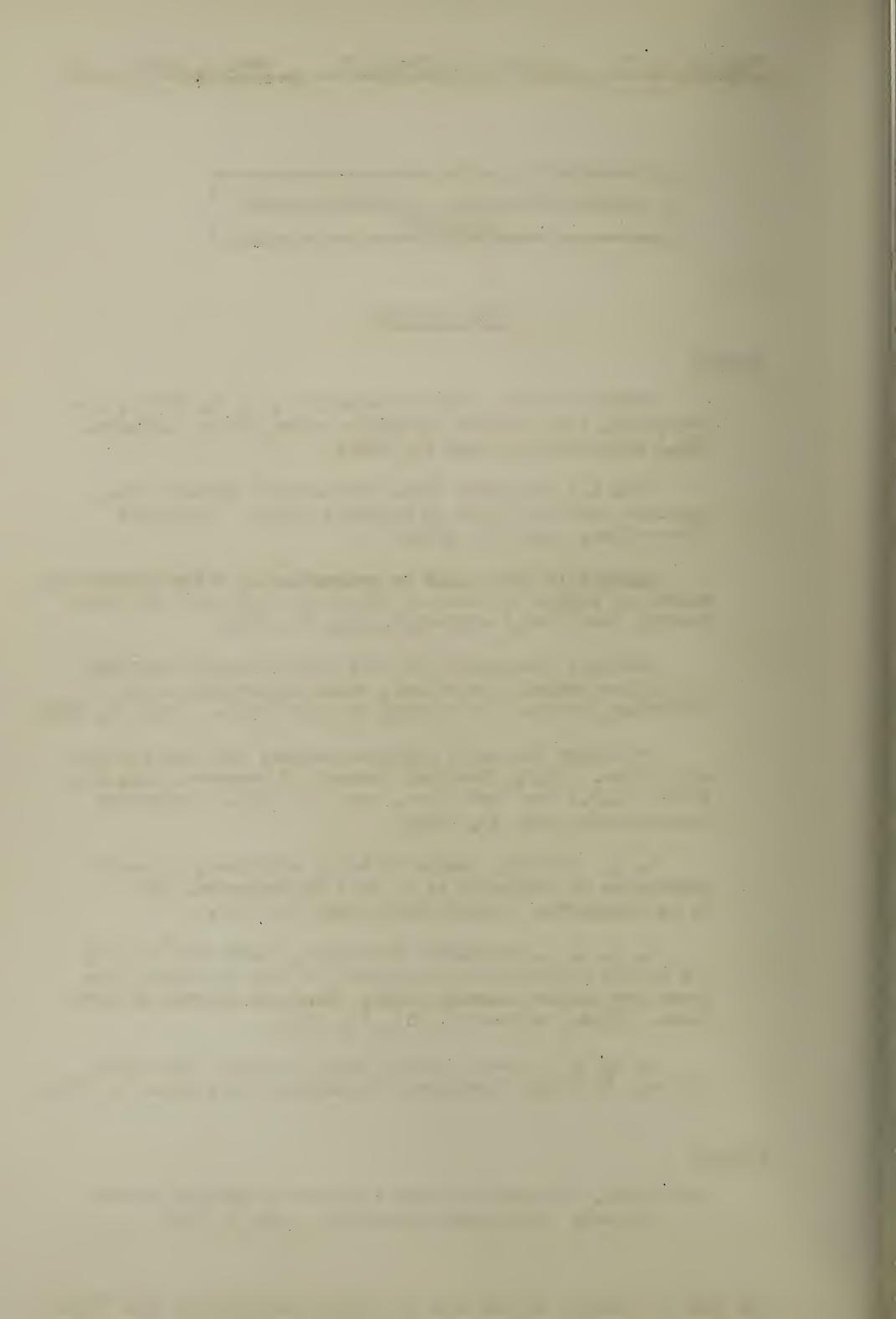
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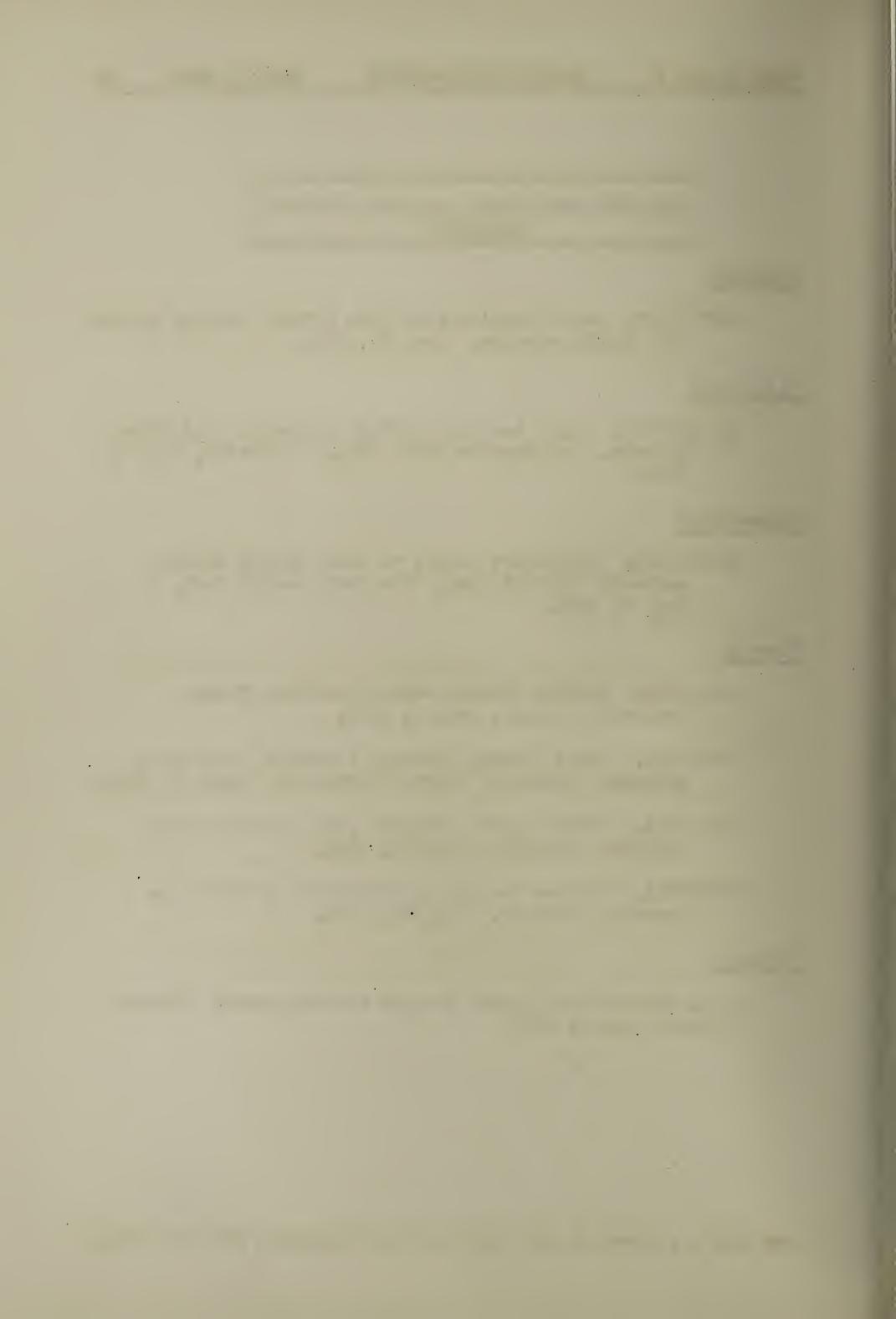
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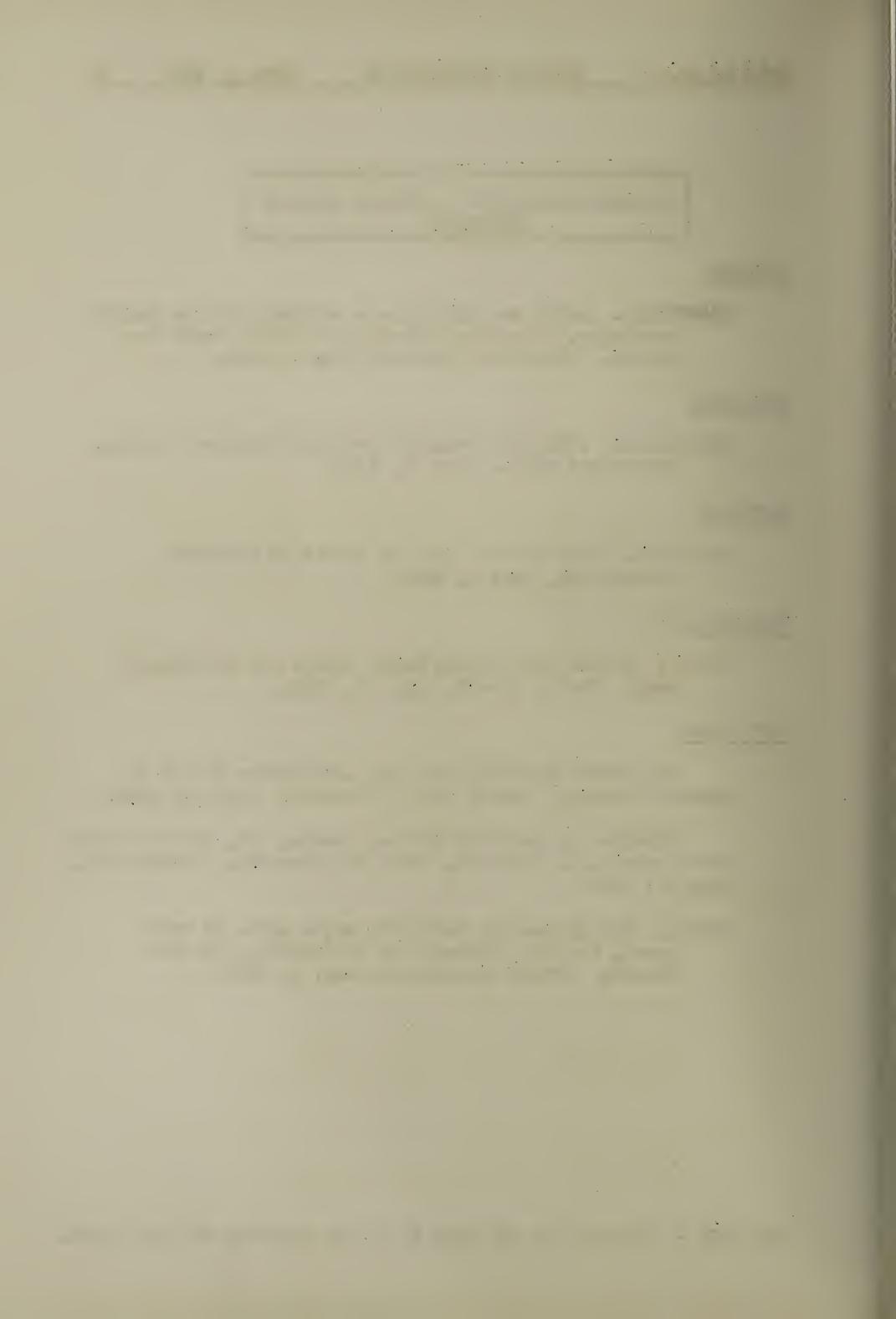
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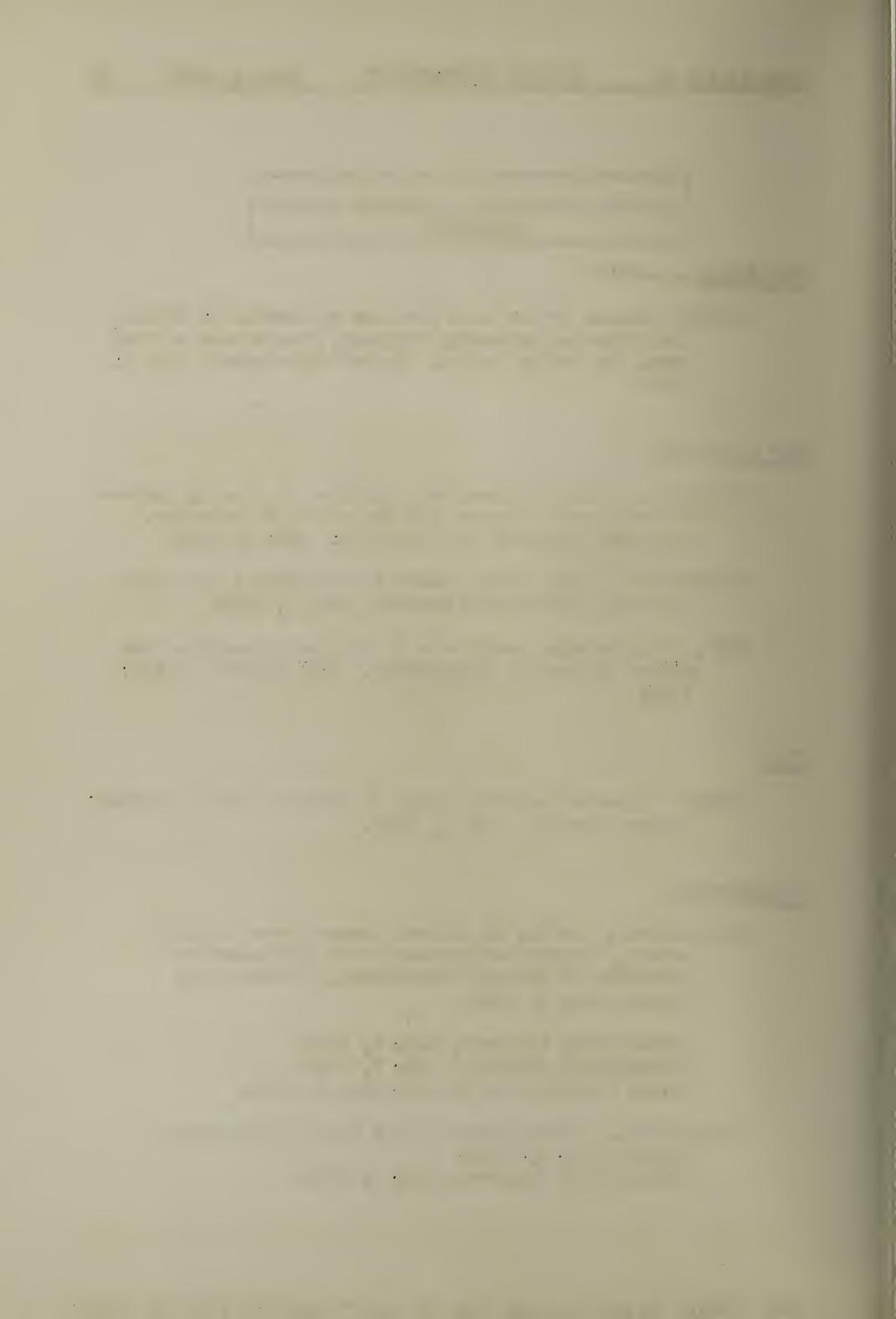
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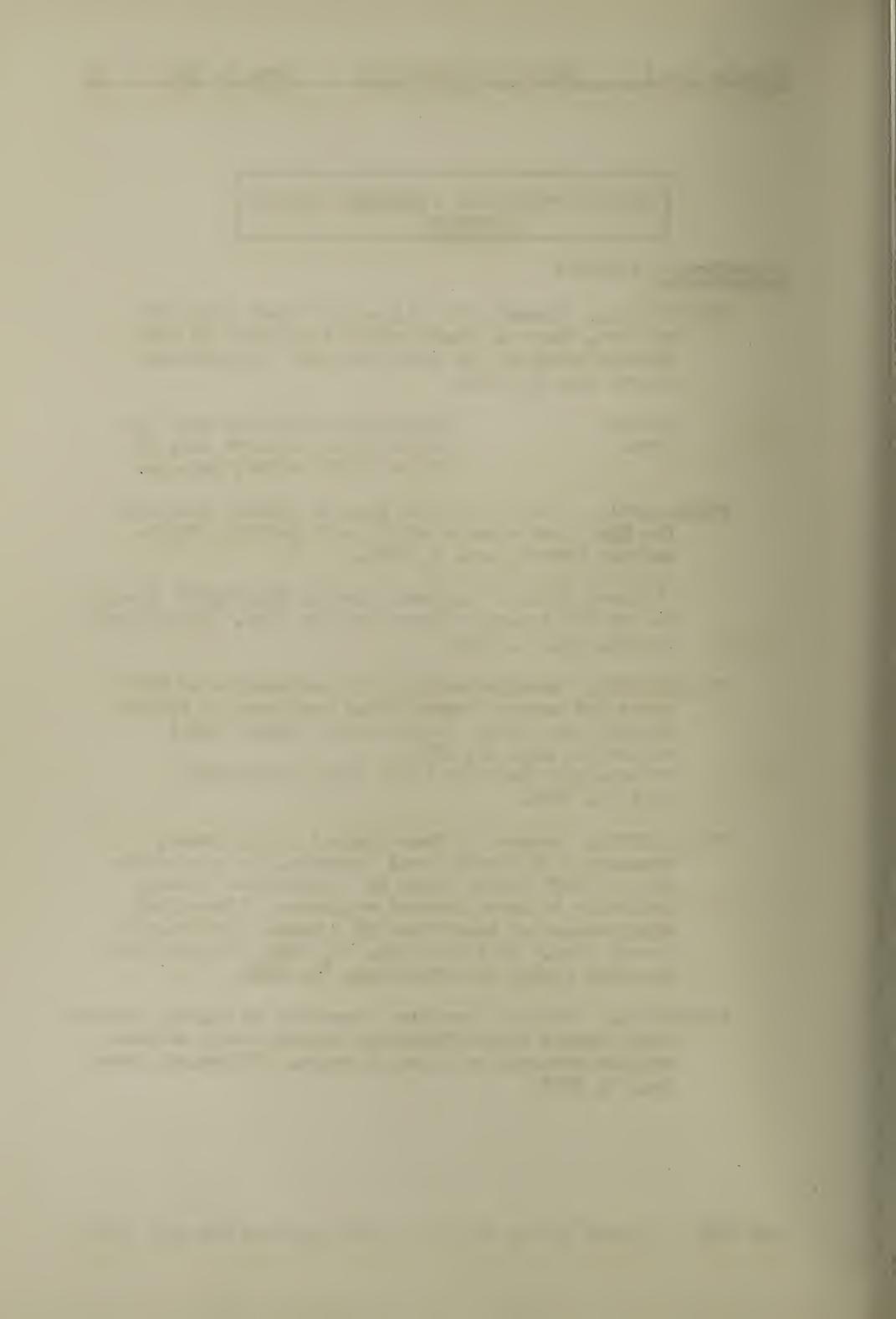
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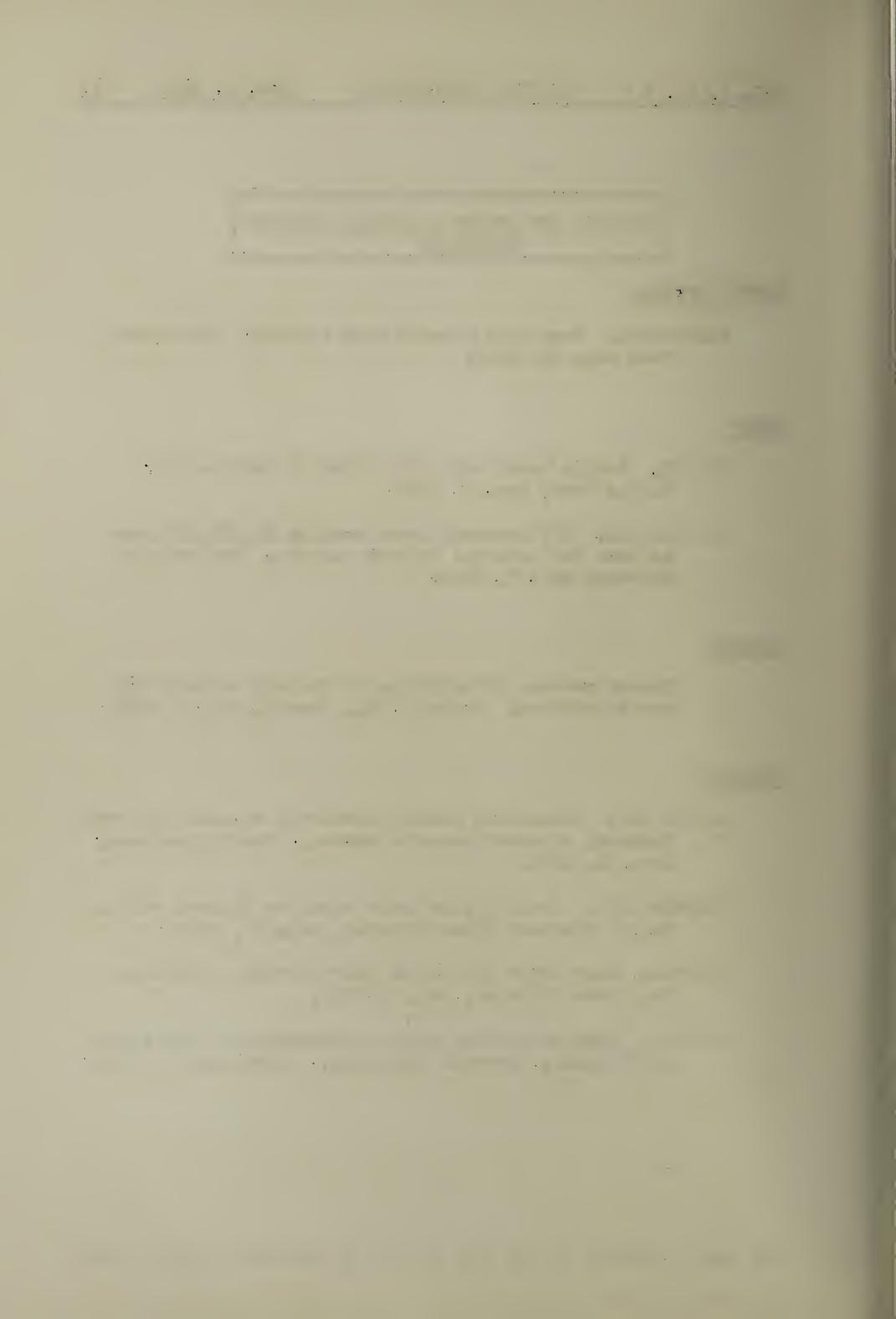
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HOUSING OPERATIONS : PRIVATE

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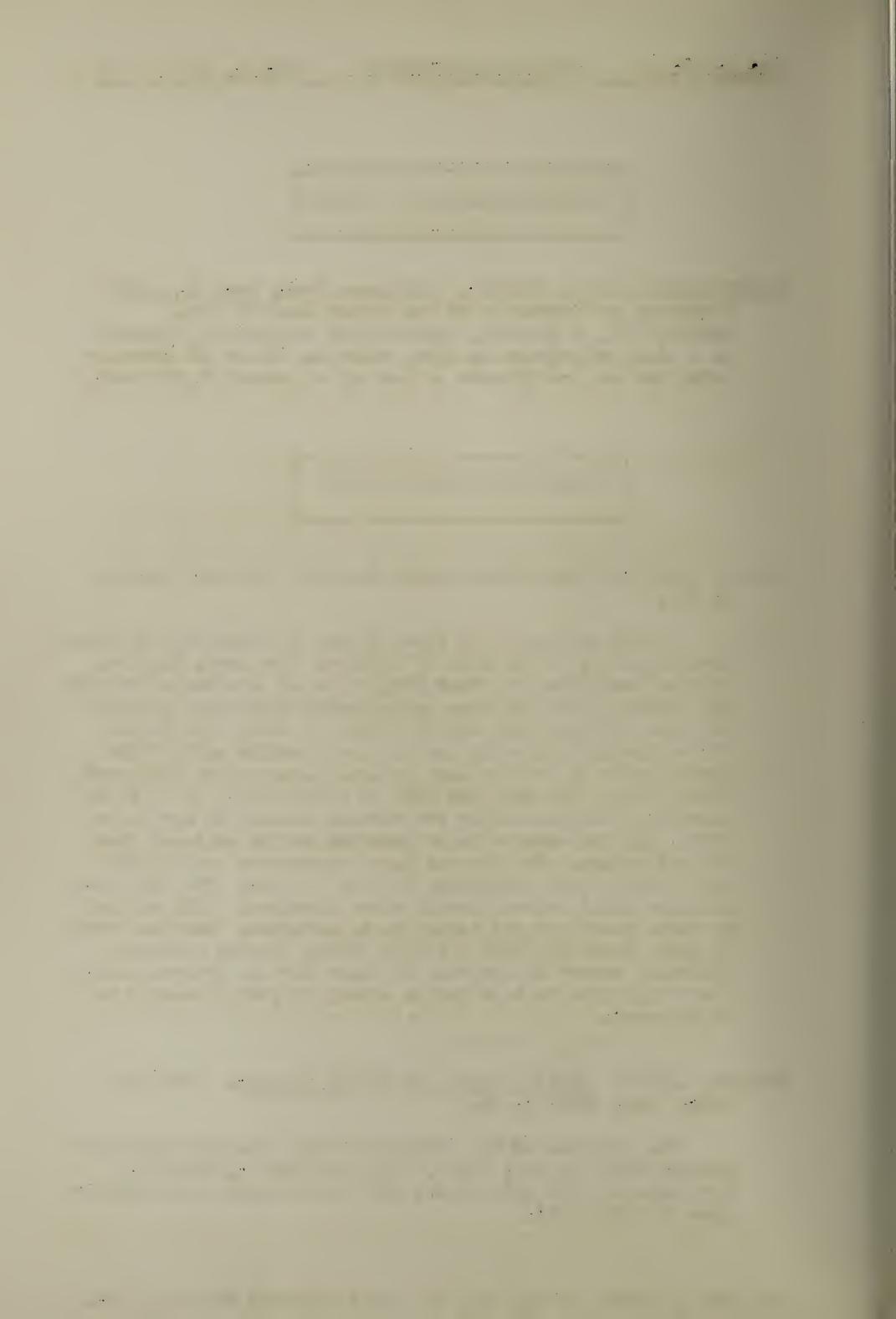
HOUSING OPERATIONS : PUBLIC

ABRAMS, CHARLES. Must defense wreck housing? (Nation. Oct.19, p. 369.)

Public housing is in grave danger of being laid to rest-paradoxically, in the name of defense. The Army, Navy and Defense Commission say that 200,000 houses are needed at once for workers on the defense program -- the houses can be used for slum dwellers when the emergency is over. The United States Housing Authority and the local public authorities acting under it are the only agencies equipped to build and manage them. Yet when the USHA is needed most, it is to be scuttled. Responsibility for defense housing is now to be split, and the work is to be parceled out to at least four Federal bodies. The War and Navy Departments and the RFC have already been authorized to take it over. The WPA, too. will now build houses through other agencies. USHA was set up three years ago and is now to be scrapped. But the truth is there never has been a really strong housing movement. Officials cannot be expected to fight for the program alone. There will have to be a public outcry if public housing is to be saved.

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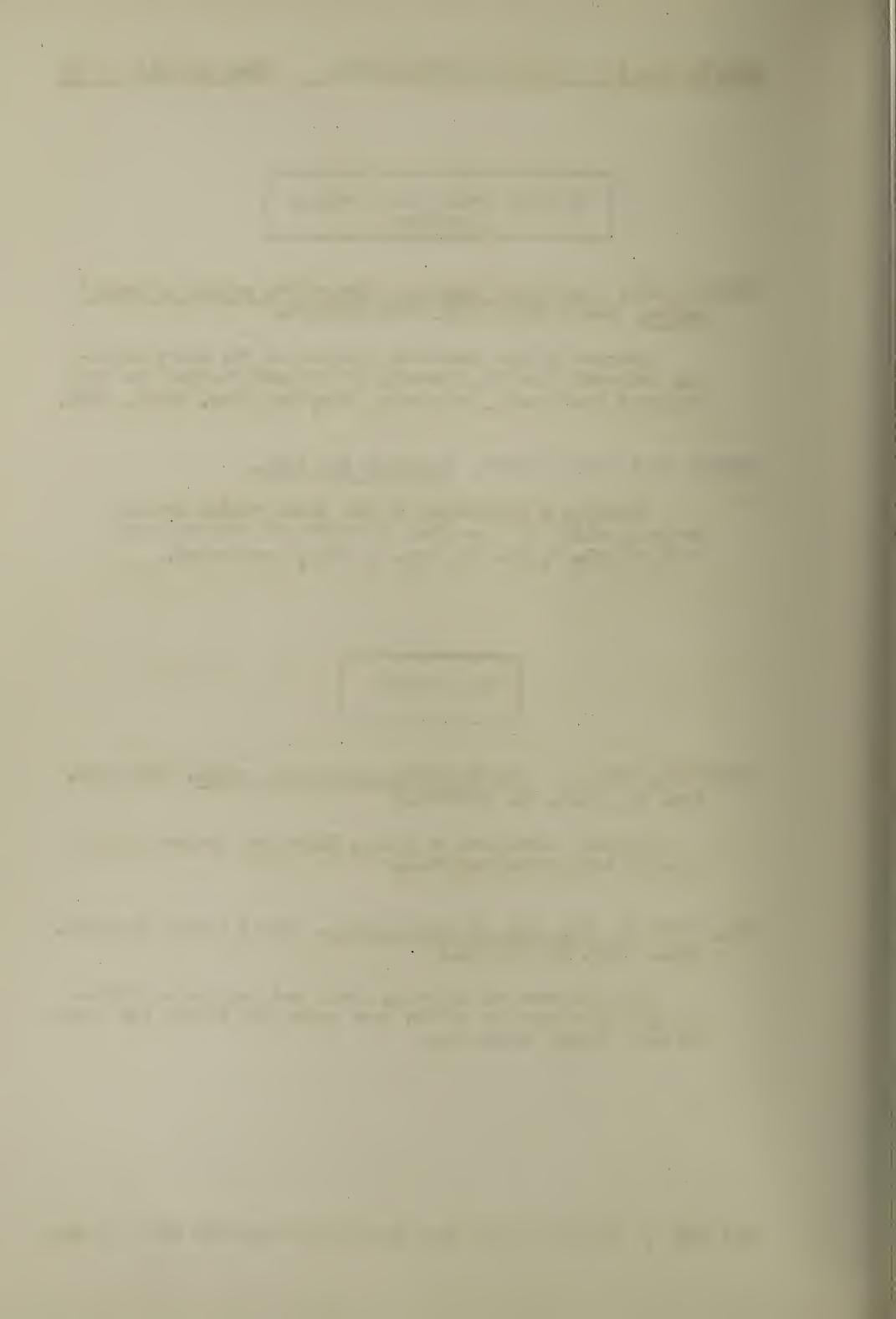
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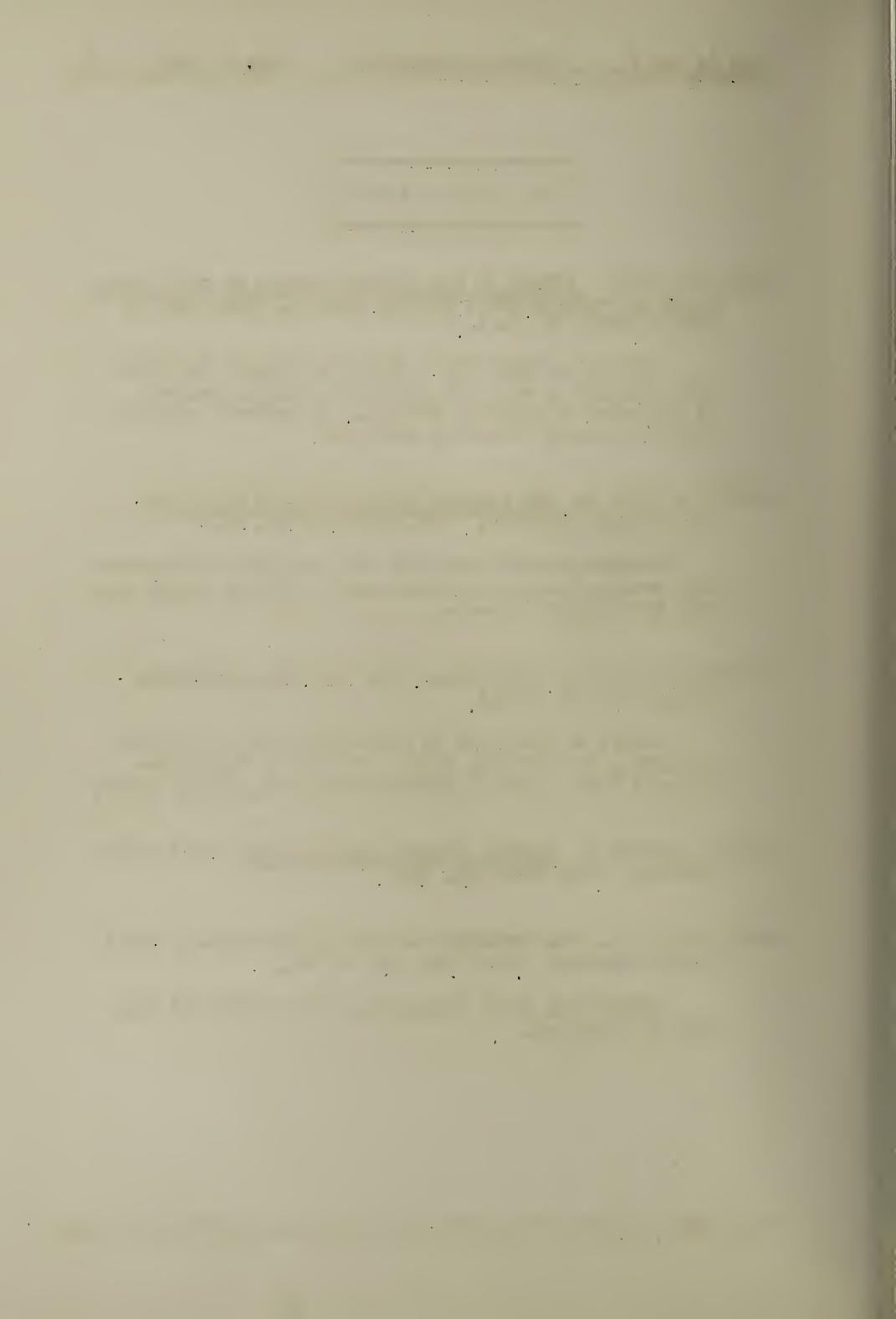
Back-to-the-city movements are replacing back-to-the-farm trends, housing shortage seen in offing, coming boom will be national in scope.

NEIGHBORHOOD SHOPS. (Freehold. Oct. 15, 1940, pp.278-80. illus. and site plan.)

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#### REAL ESTATE FINANCE

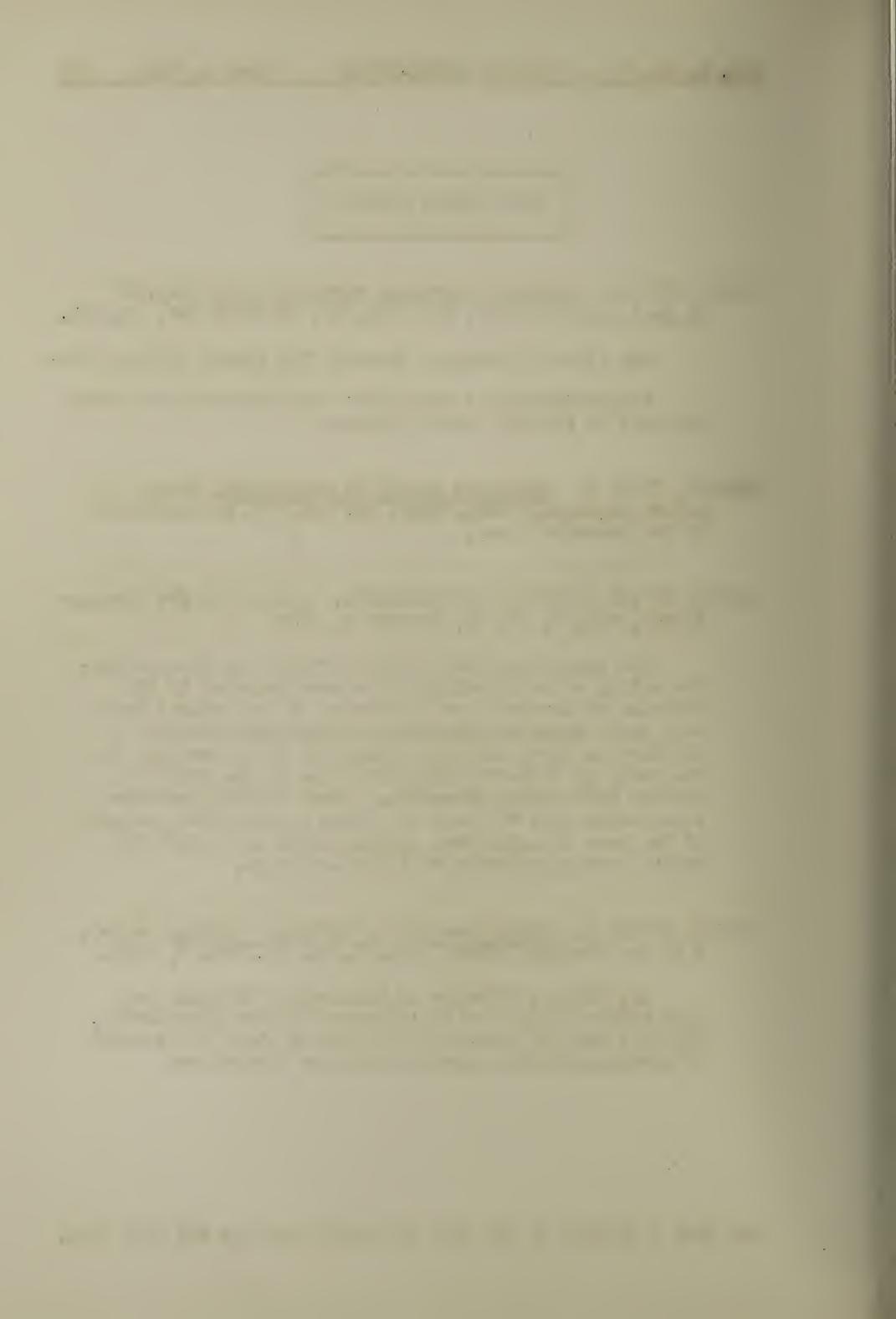
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  - Mr. Allen is Mortgage Analyst, The Bowery Savings Bank.

Neighborhoods and communities are classified in study designed to clarify lending factors.

- EMHARDT, EDWIN C. Mortgages should be modernized. (Real Estate Magazine. Oct., 1940, pp. 6-7. To be concluded in the December issue.)
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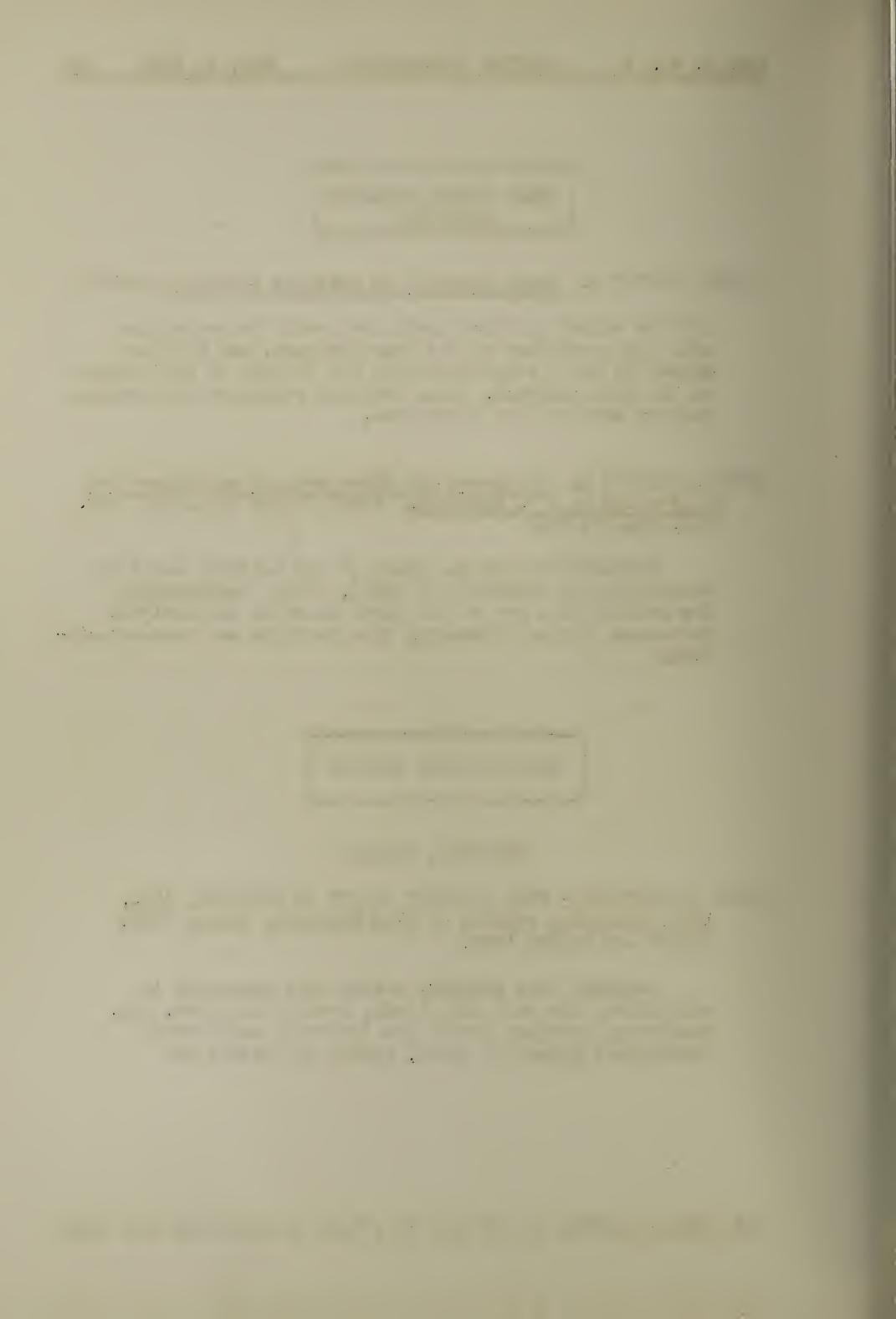
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REAL PROPERTY SURVEYS

#### ANNISTON. ALABAMA

BLOCK TABULATIONS - REAL PROPERTY SURVEY IN ANNISTON, ALA., 1939, including suburbs of Blue Mountain, Hobson City, Oxford and Oxford Lake.

Original real property survey data presented in tabulations for each city block, summarizing type, age, condition, mortgage status and tenure of residential structures; number of rooms, number of persons per



### REAL PROPERTY SURVEYS-CONTINUED

ANNISTON, ALABAMA - Contid.

room number of children, sanitary facilities, rentility\*, occupancy by age, tenure, by race, by duration and month-ly rental of dwelling units within the block. (Form size, 82" x 13")

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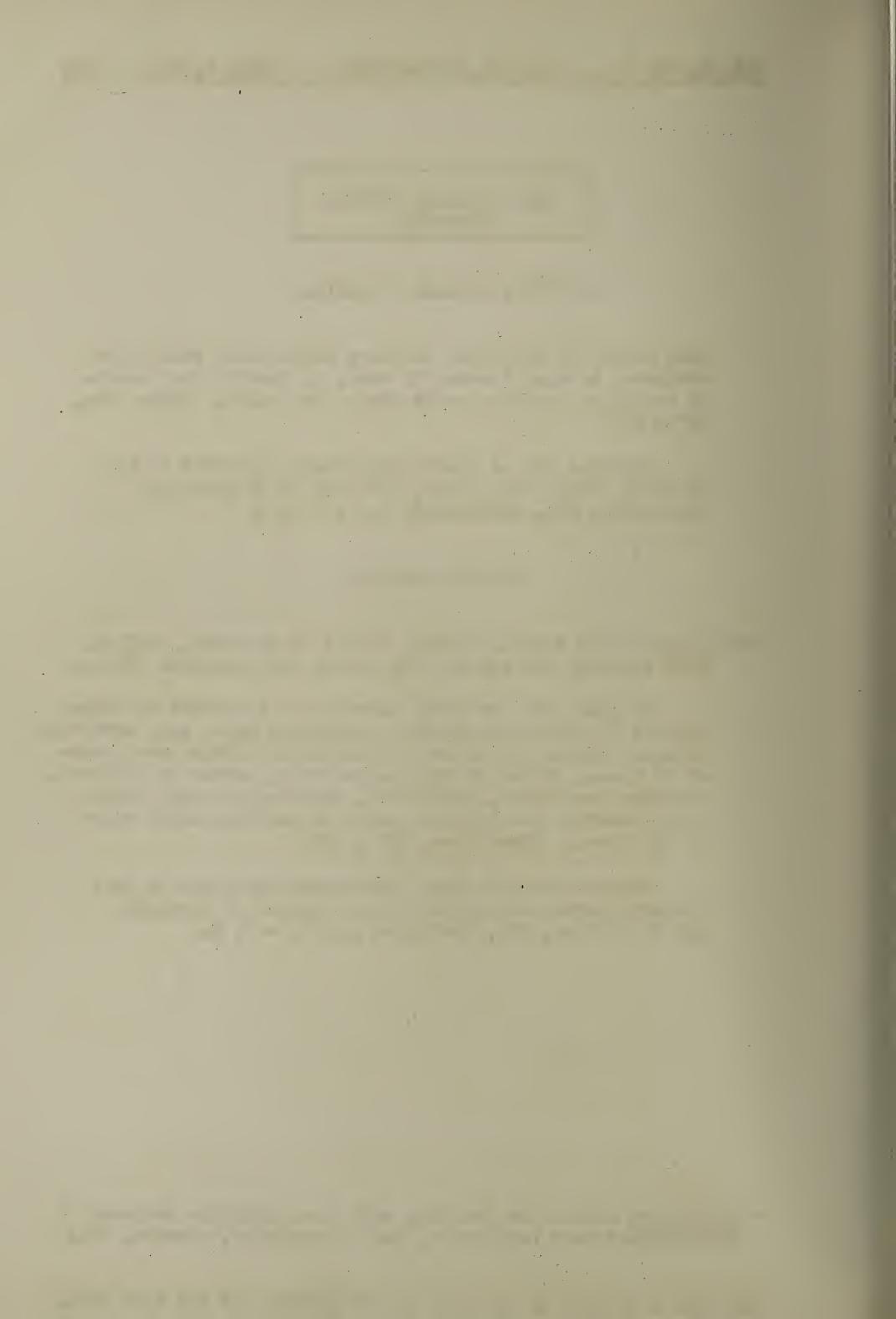
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BLOCK TABULATIONS - REAL PROPERTY SURVEY IN BESSEMEP, ALABAMA, 1939 covering the entire city within the corporate limits.

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### HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT

GENERAL SURVEY TABLES - REAL PROPERTY SURVEY IN HARTFORD, CONN., 1939.

Real property survey data presented in detailed crosstabulations summarizing for the city, information on residential structures under construction; type, age, condition, mortgage status, material, value and occupancy data for existing structures; adequacy, value, monthly rental, utilities and occupancy characteristics for dwelling units. (Form size, ll" x 17") - J. B.

REAL PROPERTY SURVEY, HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT, 1939

MAPS

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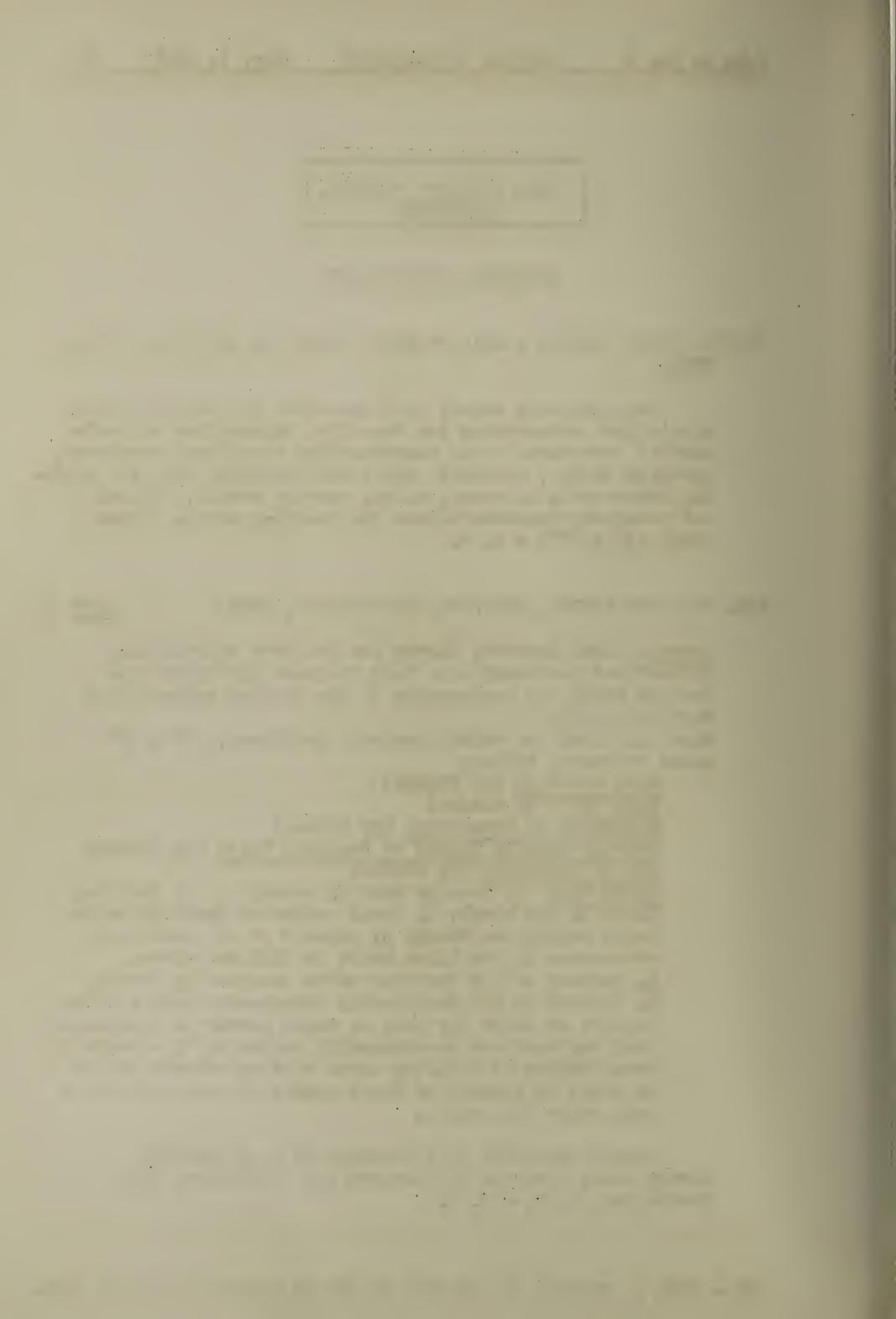
Land Coverage (by Blocks) Land Use (by blocks)

Condition of Structures (by blocks)

Average Monthly Rental of Dwelling Units (by blocks)

Age of Structure (by blocks) Block Data 1. average monthly rental of all dwelling units in the block; 2. total number of dwelling units units within the block; 3. percent of all residential structures in the block built in 1919 or before; 4. percent of all dwelling units occupied by owners; 5. percent of all residential structures needing major repairs or unfit for use. 6. total number of structures used for business or commercial purposes; 7. percent of total number of dwelling units with no private toilct or bath; 8. percent of total number of households of a race other than white.

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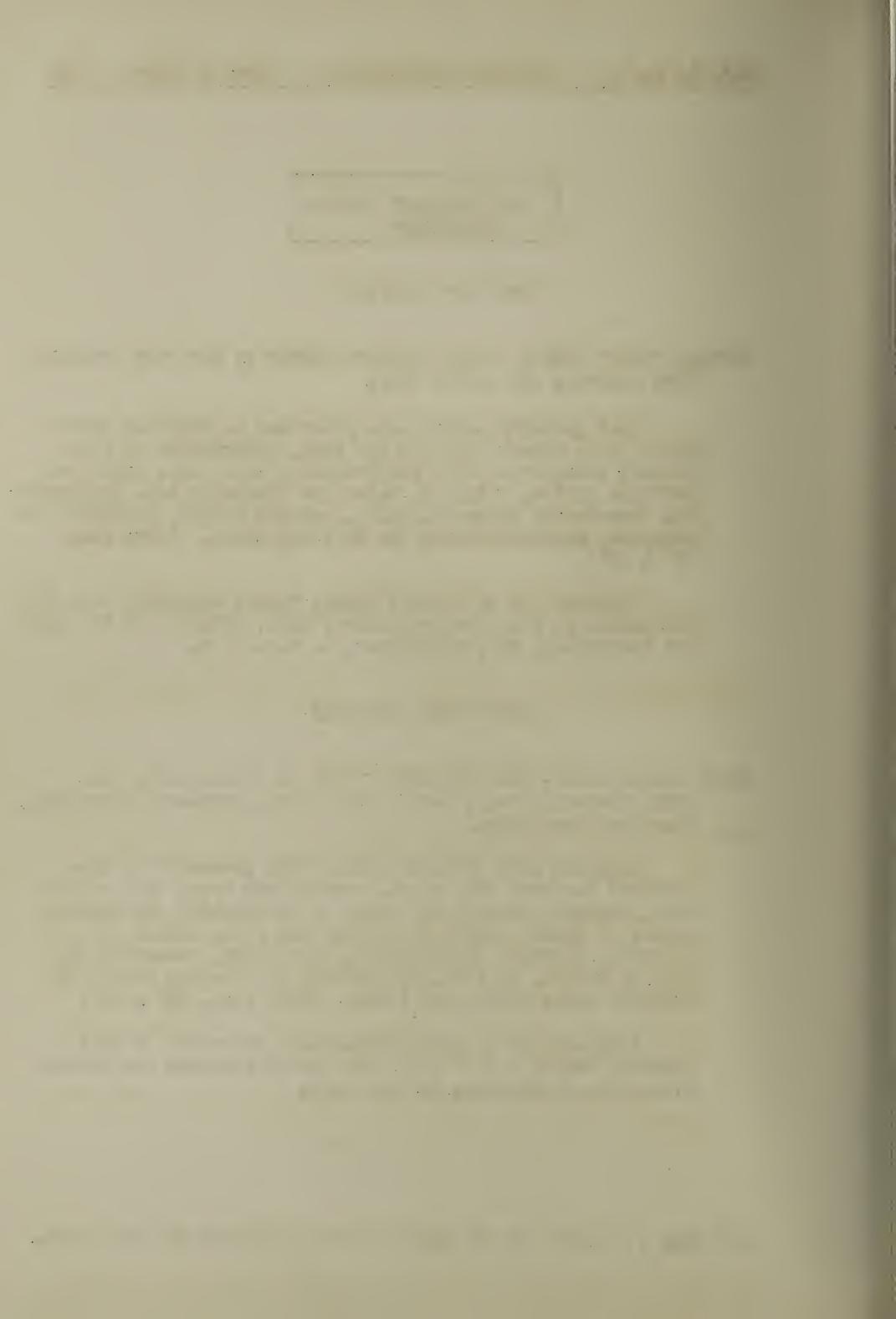
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#### LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS

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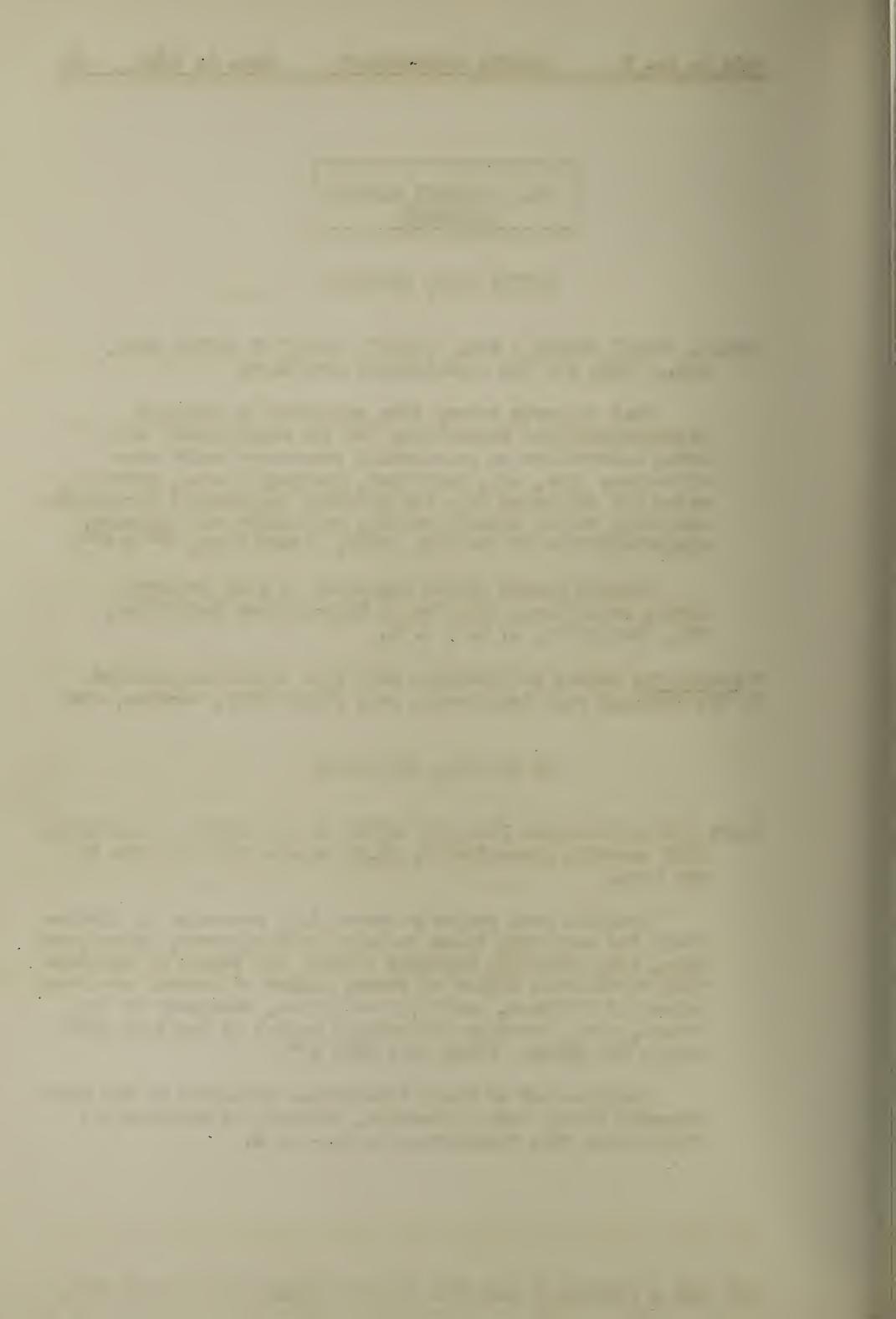
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### LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

BLOCK TABULATIONS-REAL PROPERTY SURVEY IN LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, 1939 covering approximately 31.75 square miles of area in the city.

Original real property survey data presented in tabulations for each city block included in the survey, summarizing type, age, condition mortgage status, and tenure of residential structures; number of rooms, number of persons per room, number of children, sanitary facilities, occupancy by age, tenure, race, duration and monthly rental of dwelling units within the block. (Form size  $8\frac{1}{2}$ "x 13")

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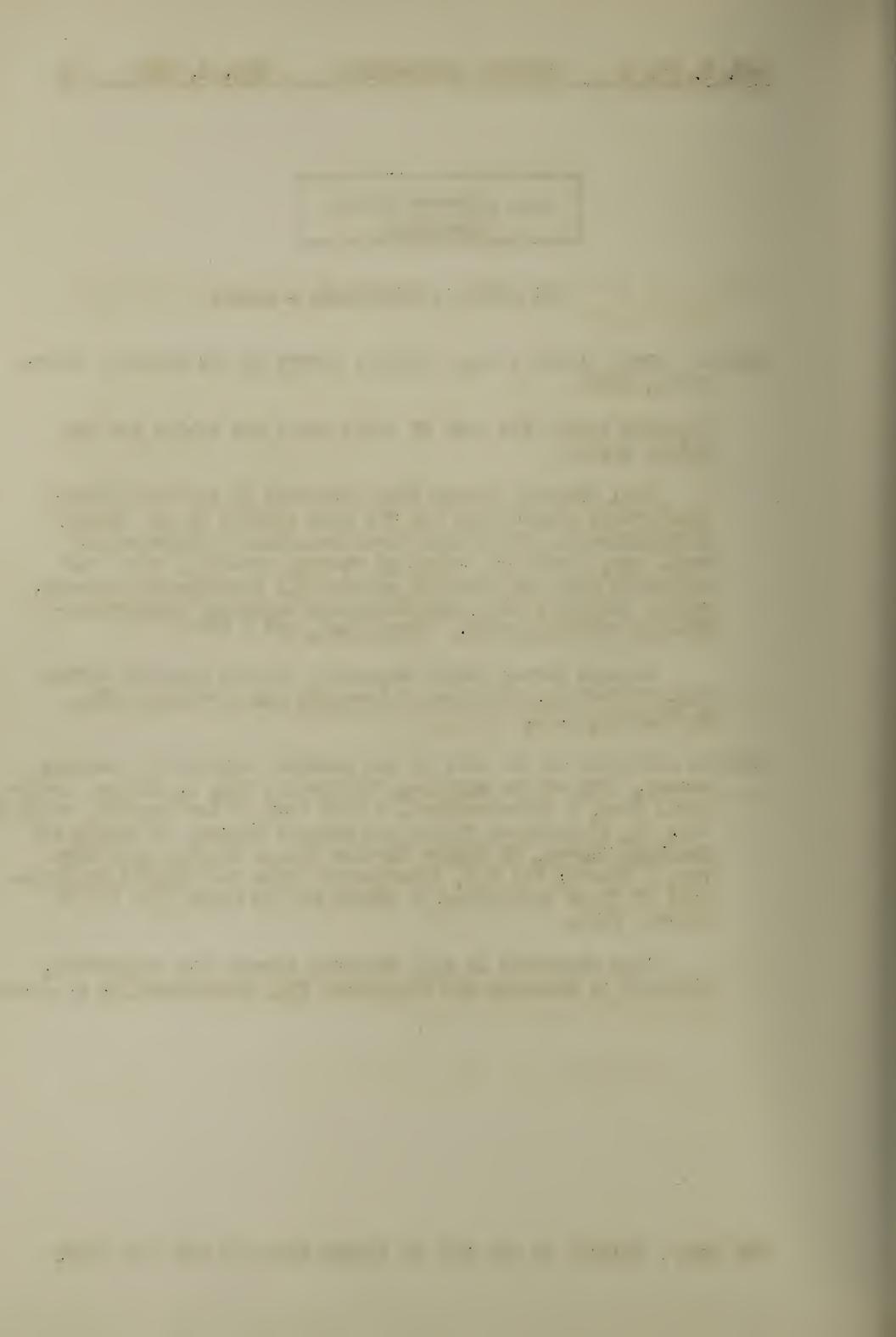
Separate tables for each of seven areas and tables for the entire survey.

Real property survey data presented in detailed cross-tabulations summarizing for the area covered by the survey, information on residential structures under construction; type, age, condition, mortgage status, material, value and occupancy data for existing residential structures; adequacy, value, monthly rental, utilities and occupancy characteristics of dwelling units. (Form size, 11" x 17".)

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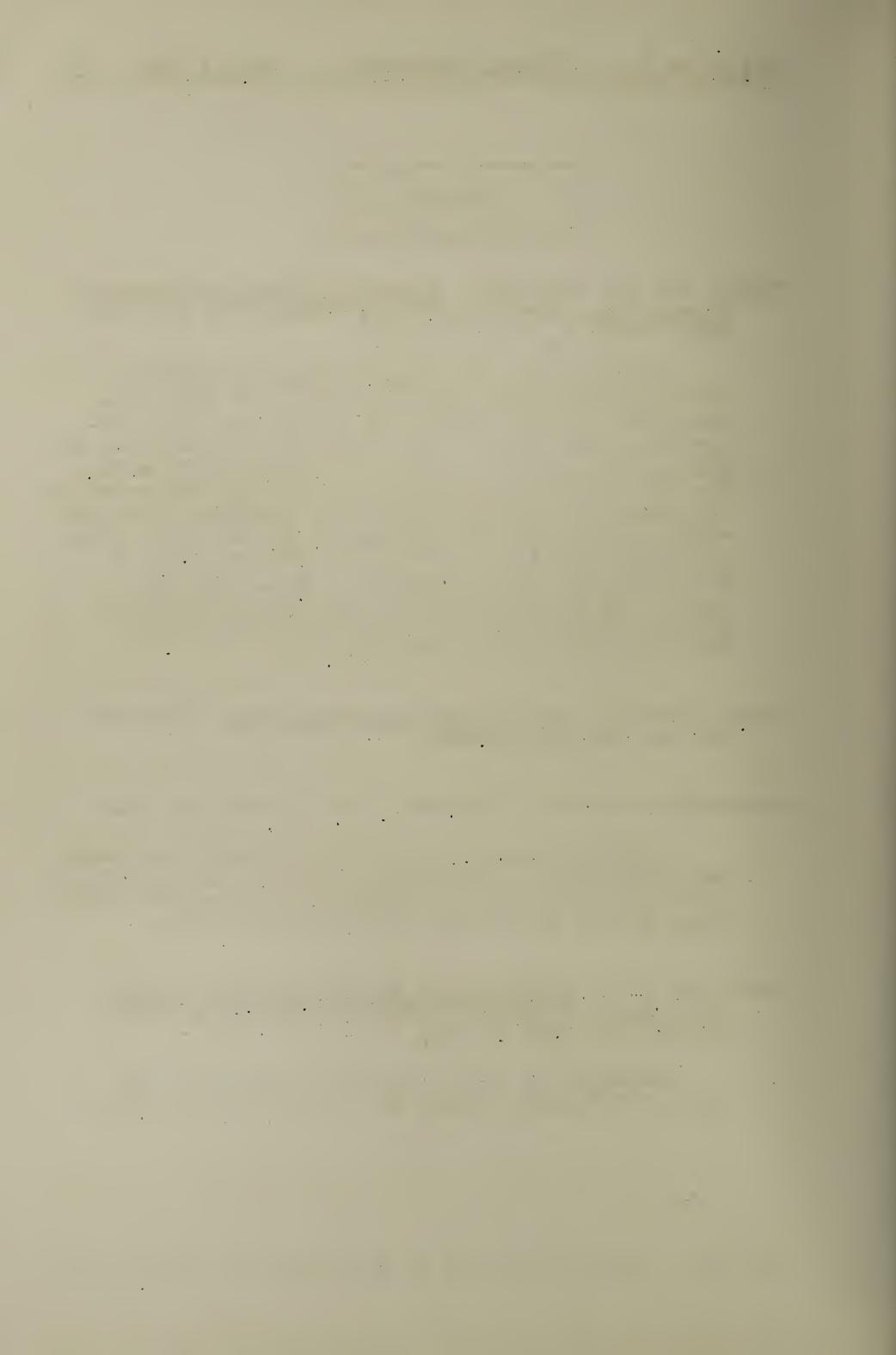
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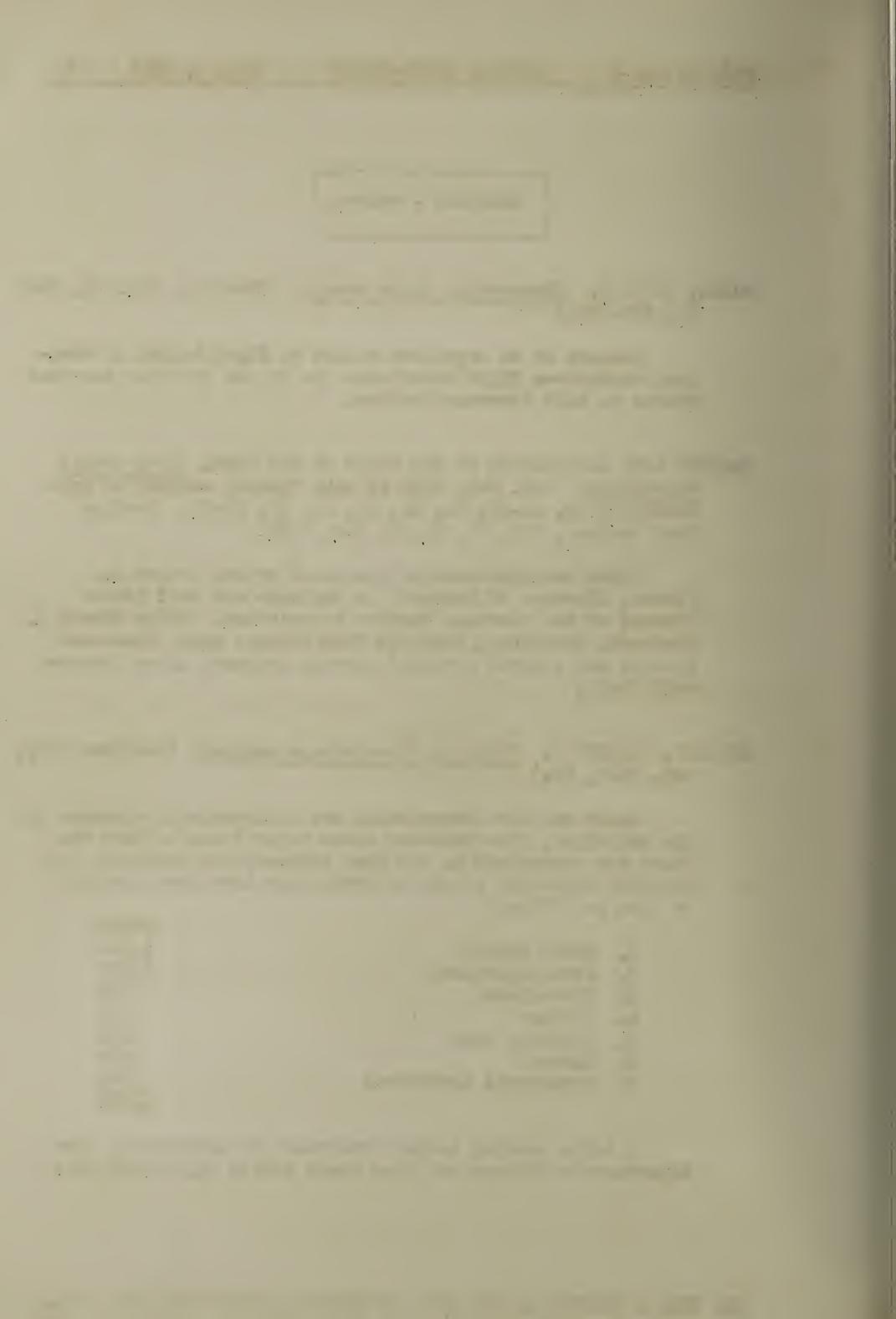
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1.	Water Supply	1,700
2.	Fire department	1,500
3.	Fire alarm	550
4.	Police	50
5.	Building laws	200
6.	Hazards	300
7.	Structural Conditions	700
		5,000

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